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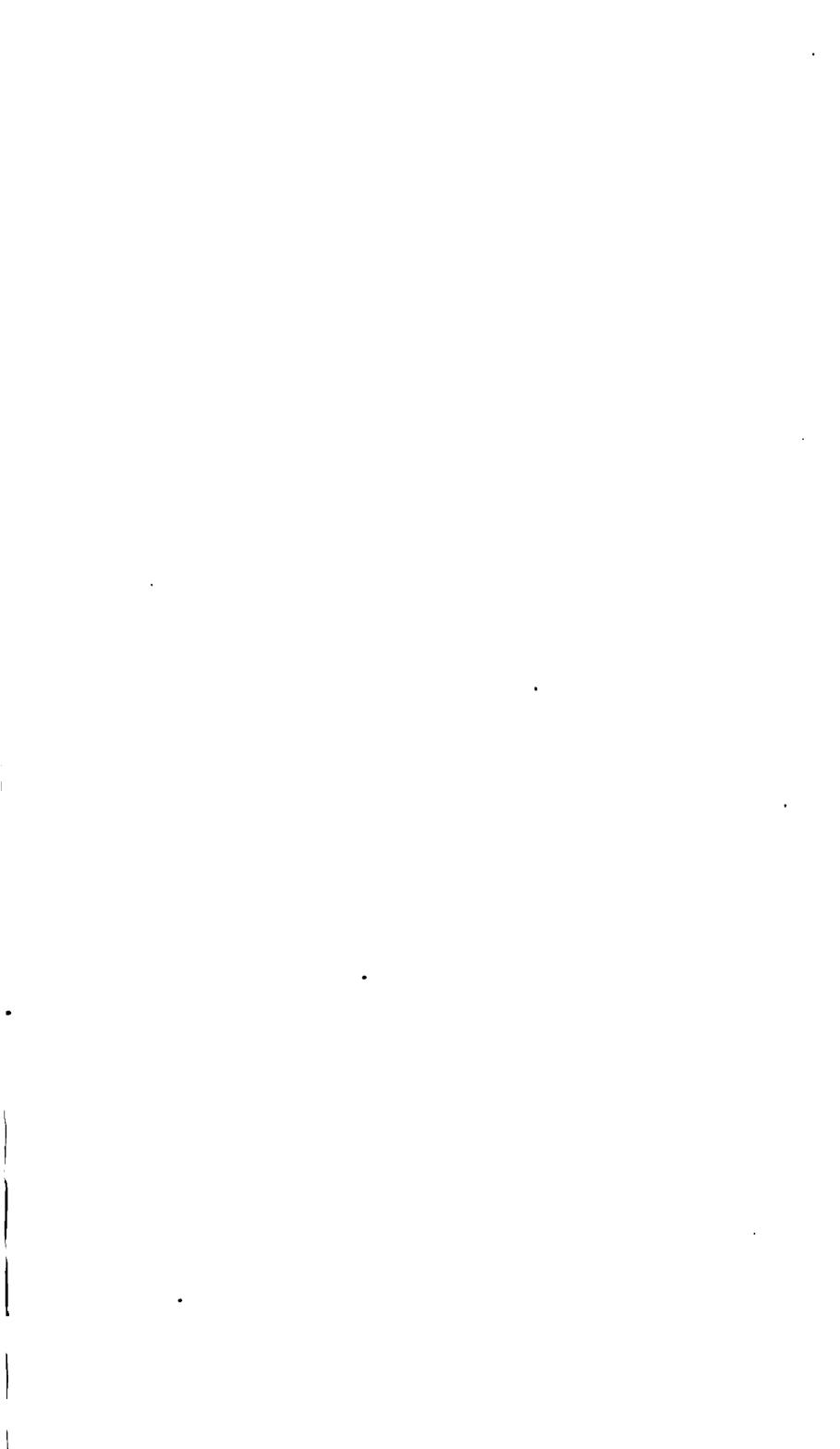
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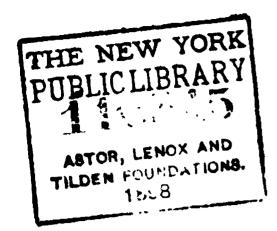
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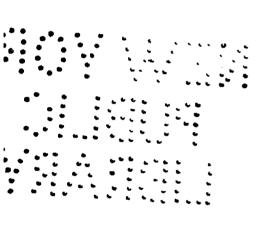
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# LIST OF THE CLERGY

OF THE

### DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW YORK.

THE Rev. Charles G. Acly, Rector of Trinity Church, Watertown. Jefferson county.

The Rev. William Allanson, Missionary at Medina, Orleans county.

The Rev. Edward Andrews, Rector of Christ Church, Bingbergeton; Broome county.

The Rev. Henry S. Attwater, Missionary at Mount Morris, Livingston county.

The Rev. Amos G. Baldwin, Missionary at Mayville and Jamestown, Chautauque county.

The Rev. Liberty A. Barrows, Missionary at Norwich, Chenango county.

The Rev. John Bayley, Missionary at Owego, Tioga county.
The Rev. Seth W. Beardsley, Missionary at Moravia, Cayuga county. The Rev. James A. Bolles, Rector of St. James' Church, Batavia, Genesee county.

The Rev. William W. Bostwick, Rector of St. James' Church, Hammond's Port, and St. Thomas' Church, Bath, Steuben county.

The Rev. Johnson A. Brayton, Missionary at Hamilton, Madison county.

The Rev. Nathaniel F. Bruce, M. D., residing in Alleghany county. The Rev. Nathan B. Burgess, Missionary at Rome, Oneida county.

The Rev. Leverett Bush, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Oxford, Chenango county.

The Rev. Clement M. Butler, Rector of Zion Church, Palmyra, Wayne county.

The Rev. Lucius Carter, Missionary at Hunt's Hollow, Alleghany

The Rev. Tapping R. Chipman, Deacon, Minister of St. Luke's Church. Brockport, Monroe county.

The Rev. Joseph T. Clark, Missionary at Skaneateles, Onondaga county. The Rev. Orange Clark, D. D., Rector of Grace Church, Rochester, Monroe county. The Rev. Ebenezer H. Cressey, Rector of Christ Church, Lockport, Niagara county.

The Rev. George Denison, Missionary at Upper Lockport, Niagara

county.

The Rev. William E. Eigenbrodt, Minister of St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge, Chenango county.

The Rev. Edmund Embury, Missionary at Penn Yan, Yates county.

The Rev. George B. Engle, Missionary at Fulton, Oswego county, and Baldwinsville, Onondaga county.

The Rev. John F. Ernst, Deacon, Principal of an Academy, Batavia, Genesee county.

The Rev. John B. Gallagher, Deacon, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, Onondaga county.

The Rev. Isaac Garvin, Missionary at Wethersfield Springs, Genesee county.

The Rev. Henry Gregory, Rector of Calvary Church, Homer, Cortland county.

The Rev. Benjamin Hale, D. D., President of Geneva College, Geneva, Ontario county.

The Rev. Cicero S. Hawks, Rector of Trinity Church, Buffalo, Erie county.

The Rev. Humphrey Hollis, Missionary at South Danby, Tompkins county, and Candor, Tioga county.

The Rev. Nathaniel Huse, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Westfield,

Distributed county.

The Rev. Pierre P. Irving, Rector of Trinity Church, Geneva, Ontario

The Hey. Bethel Judd, D. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Ithaca, Tompkins county.

The Rev. James Keeler, Missionary at Harpersville, Broome county.

The Rev. William Lucas, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Auburn, Cayuga county.

The Rev. John McCarty, Rector of Christ Church, Oswego, Oswego county.

The Rev. Stephen McHugh, Missioners et Helland Petent, and Oriely.

The Rev. Stephen McHugh, Missionary at Holland Patent, and Oriskany, Oneida county.

The Rev. Thomas Meachem, Missionary at Centrefield, Ontario county.
The Rev. Kendrick Metcalf, Rector of St. Mark's Church, LeRoy, Genesee county.

The Rev. Thomas Morris, Missionary at Ellicotville and Olean, Cattaraugus county.

The Rev. Rufus Murray, Missionary at Lewiston, Niagara county.

The Rev. Beardsley Northrop, residing near Lockport, Niagara county. The Rev. George H. Norton, Missionary at Allen's Hill, Ontario county. The Rev. George Ogle, Deacon, Assistant Minister of Calvary Church, Homer, Cortland county.

The Rev. William P. Page, residing at Geneseo, Livingston county.

The Rev. Henry Peck, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Paris Hill, Oneida county.

The Rev. Marcus A. Perry, residing at New Hartford, Oneida county. The Rev. George S. Porter, residing at Fredonia, Chautauque county.

The Rev. Augustine P. Prevost, Rector of St. John's Church, Canan-daigua, Ontario county.

The Rev. Pierre A. Proal, Rector of Trinity Church, Utica, Oneida county.

The Rev. Ferdinand Rogers, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Brown-ville, Jefferson county.

The Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D., Rector of Grace Church, Utica, Oneida

county; and Editor of the Gospel Messenger, Utica.

The Rev. Thomas J. Ruger, Missionary at Sherburne, Chenango county. The Rev. William Shelton, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Buffalo, Erie county.

The Rev. Lucius Smith, Missionary at Fredonia, Chautauque county. The Rev. Richard Smith, Missionary at Hector, Tompkins county, and

Johnson's Settlement, Chemung county.

The Rev. Erastus Spalding, Missionary at Vienna, Ontario county, and Sodus, Wayne county.

The Rev. James O. Stokes, residing near Medina, Orleans county.

The Rev. Henry L. Storre, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, Oneida county.

The Rev. Foster Thayer, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Waterloo, Seneca county.

The Rev. Lewis Thibou, jr., Missionary at Angelica, Alleghany county. The Rev. Amos C. Treadway, Missionary at Sacket's Harbor, Jefferson county.

The Rev. Henry Tullidge, Missionary at Seneca Falls, Seneca county, and Montezuma, Cayuga county.

The Rev. John V. Van Ingen, Rector of Zion Church, Greene, Chenango county.

The Rev. Gershom P. Waldo, Deacon.

The Rev. Nathaniel Watkins, Missionary at Pierrepont Manor, Jefferson county.

The Rev. William M. Weber, M. D., Missionary at Perryville, Madison county.

The Rev. Russel Wheeler, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, New Berlin, Chenango county.

The Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Rochester, Monroe county.

The Rev. Marshall Whiting, Missionary at Onondaga Hill, and Geddes, Onondaga county.

The Rev. Lloyd Windsor, Rector of Trinity Church, Fayetteville, and Christ Church, Pompey, Onondaga county.

The Rev. Gordon Winslow, Missionary at Elmira, Chemung county.

Total-74 Clergy; 96 Parishes.

#### LIST OF THE CLERGY WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

### Right Rev. Benjamin Tredwell Onderdonk, D. D.

#### PRESBYTERS AND DEACONS.

Rev. William Allanson, Henry S. Attwater, Liberty A. Barrows, John Bayley, Seth W. Beardsley, James A. Bolles, William W. Bostwick, Johnson A. Brayton, Nathan B. Burgess, Clement M. Butler, Lucius Carter, Joseph T. Clark, Orange Clark, D. D. Ebenezer H. Cressey, Samuel Cook, " George Denison, William W. Eigenbrodt, Edmund Embury, John B. Gallagher, Benjamin Hale, D. D. Cicero S. Hawks,

Pierre P. Irving,

William Lucas,

John McCarty,

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Bethel Judd, D. D.

Rev. Stephen McHugh, Thomas Meachem, Kendrick Metcalf, Thomas Morris, Rufus Murray, George H. Norton, Henry Peck, Augustine P. Prevost, Pierre Alexis Proal, John C. Rudd, D. D. " Thomas J. Ruger, William Shelton, D. D. " Lucius Smith,

" Richard Smith, Erastus Spalding, Henry L. Storrs, Lewis Thibou, jr. Foster Thayer, Henry Tullidge, John V. Van Ingen, Russel Wheeler,

" H. J. Whitehouse, D. D. Marshall Whiting, Lloyd Windsor, " Gordon Winslow.

#### LIST OF LAY DELEGATES WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

Alleghany county—Angelica, St. Paul's Church, John Collins, Richard Charles, Robert H. Tucker.

Cayuga county—Auburn, St. Peter's Church, H. Burt, Geo. B. Throop, George H. Wood, R. C. Steele.

Chautauque county—Fredonia, Trinity Church, Jonathan Sprague. Chemung county—Elmira, Trinity Church, Thomas Maxwell, Hervey Luce, S. E. Sweetland, S. H. Maxwell, Grant B. Baldwin.

Johnson's Settlement, St. John's Church, John W. Stuart.

Erie county—Buffalo, St. Paul's Church, George B. Webster, Lester Brace. Buffalo, Trinity Church, Selah Barnard.

Genesee county—Batavia, St. James' Church, David E. Evans, Heman J. Redfield, Junius A. Smith.

Le Roy, St. Mark's Church, Timothy Hatch, Elisha Stanley, jun., Elijah Platt, Thomas F. Everett, M.D.

Jefferson county—Pierrepont Manor, Zion Church, Wm. C. Pierrepont. Livingston county—Geneseo, St. Michael's Church, Charles H. Carrol. Mount Morris, St. John's Church, William B. Rogers.

Monroe county—Brockport, St. Luke's Church, Jerome Fuller.

Penfield, Trinity Church, Anthony Gillespie.

Rochester, Grace Church, Hiram Leonard, George H. Mumford.

St. Luke's Church, Vincent Matthews, Frederick Whittesey, E. Darwin Smith, Henry E. Rochester.

... agara county—Lewiston, St. Paul's Church, Jonathan Bell.

Lockport, Grace church, William Sibley.

Oneida county—Holland Patent, St. Paul's Church, Pascal C. J. De Angelis.

Utica, Grace Church, John E. Hinman.

"Trinity Church, Thomas H. Hubbard, Chester Griswold, Elisha Wells.

Onondaga county—Baldwinsville, Grace Church, James D. Wallace.

Fayetteville, Trinity Church, Adna Treat. Geddes, Apostolic Church, Elisha Marsh.

Jamesville, St. Mark's Church, Thomas Sherwood.

Onondaga, Zion Church, Jonas Earll, jun.

Syracuse, St. Paul's Church, William Jackson, William A. Cook.

Ontario county—Canandaigua, St. John's Church, John C. Spencer.

Centrefield, Trinity Church, Linus Gunn, Orlando Morse, Chs. Crane.

Geneva, Trinity Church, James Rees, Robert C. Nicholas, David
Hudson, William S. De Zeng, Thomas D. Bunell, Joseph G. Swift.

Richmond, St. Paul's Church, Robert L. Rose.

Orleans county—Medina, St. John's Church, Joseph Nixon, B. Fairman. Seneca county—Seneca Falls, Trinity Church, Anthony Dey, Samuel

Dey, Stephen S. Viele, James S. Shethar, Gary V. Sacket. Waterloo, W. V. J. Mercer, Samuel Clark, John Watkins.

Steuben county—Bath, St. Thomas' Church, Robert L. Underhill.

Hammond's Port, St. James' Church, Lazarus Hammond, Hezekiah
Ripley.

Tompkins county—Hector, Trinity Church, William Woodward.

Ithaca, St. John's Church, John King.

Wayne county—Lyons, Grace Church, William H. Adams, William H. Lacey.

Sodus, St. John's Church, Charles W. Rees, Elias R. Cook, Oren Gaylord.

Yates county—Penn Yan, St. Mark's Church, Abraham Dox, William Whitney.

The following Clergymen entitled to seats, were not present at the Convention:—

Rev. Charles G. Acly,

Edward Andrews,Amos G. Baldwin,

" Leverett Bush,

" Tapping R. Chipman,

" George Ogle,

Rev. Ferdinand Rogers,

" Seth S. Rogers,

" Amos C. Treadway,

" Nathaniel Watkins,

" William M. Weber, M. D.

The following Clergymen, not entitled to seats as members, were present at the sittings of the Convention:—

The Rev. James D. Carder of the Diocese of New York; "Gershom P. Waldo, Deacon, of this Diocese.



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## PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

Geneva, Hell-Paints' Day, Thursday, Navember 1st, 1838.

A NUMBER of the Clergy and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of New York, assembled this day in Trinity Church in the village of Geneva, pursuant to the following call, viz:

#### "CALL OF THE PRIMARY CONVENTION OF THE NEW DIOCESE.

"WHEREAS, the necessary preliminary measures have been taken by the Convention of the Diocese of New York, and by the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United Status of America, for the formation, on the first day of November next, of a new diocese within the bounds of the said diocese of New York, the said new diocese to comprise all that part of the State of New York which lies west of the present boundary lines of the counties of Broome, Chenango, Madison, Oneida and Lewis, and the north easterly line of the county of Jefferson; and whereas it is made my duty by canon of the General Convention to call the Primary Convention of the said new diocese, and fix the time and place of holding the same; Therefore, notice is hereby given, that the Primary Convention of the new diocese to be formed within the limits of the diocese of New York, will be held on Thursday, the first day of November next, being the Festival of All-Saints', in Trinity Church, in the village of Geneva, and county of Ontario, at half past ten o'clock in the morning.

[Signed.] BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK,

Bishop of the Diocese of New York.

New York, Sept. 19, 1838.

A request having been made by several of the Clergy and Laity of the new diocese, that their late diocesan open their proceedings by a sermon and the administration of the Holy Communion; the Right Rev. Benjamin Tredwell Onderdoak, D. D., Bishop of the diocese of New York, was present for that purpose.

Morning prayers were read by the Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., assisted by the Rev. Rufus Murray, who read the lessons, and a sermon was preached by the Right Rev. B. T. Onderdonk, D. D. The Bishop then administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, in which he was assisted by the Rev. J. C. Rudd, D. D., the Rev. Lucius Smith, and the Rev. John McCarty.

The Clergy and Lay delegates present and claiming seats in the Convention, having then assembled,

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Whitehouse, it was

Resolved, That the Rev. Dr. Rudd be temporarily called to the Chair; and

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Shelton,

The Rev. John V. Van Ingen was appointed the Secretary of the meeting.

On motion of Mr. J. C. Spencer, it was then

Resolved, That the Chairman and Secretary, together with some member to be nominated by the Chair, be a committee to ascertain and report the names of the Clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention of the Diocese of Western New York, and the names of the Lay-delegates to the said Convention, appointed by the Churches in the said diocese: And that persons holding certificates of their appointment as Lay-delegates, be requested to hand them to the Secretary of this meeting immediately.

The Chair nominated the Rev. Dr. Shelton.

Resolved, That a committee of three Clergymen and three Laymen to be nominated by the Chair, be appointed to consider and report the mode of proceeding to organize the Convention of the diocese of Western New York, and rules of order for its government.

The chair nominated the Rev. P. A. Proal, the Rev. Lucius Smith, the Rev. Benjamin Hale, D. D., J. C. Spencer, David E. Evans, and David Hudson, Esgrs.

On motion the meeting took a recess until three o'clock P. M., at which time the Committees appointed as above, were requested to report.

The meeting then adjourned.

THURSDAY, 3 o'CLOCK P. M.

The meeting having re-assembled, and the committee appointed to ascertain and report the names of Clergymen and Lay-delegates entitled to seats in this Convention, having reported, the Secretary then proceeded, under the direction of the Chairman, to call the names of such of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in

the Diocess of 'Western New York, as are entitled to seats in the Convention, when the following gentlemen answered to their names, and took their seats as members, viz:

The Rev. William Allanson, Henry S. Attwater, Liberty A. Barrows, Seth W. Beardsley, James A. Bolles, William W. Bostwick, Johnson A. Brayton, Nathan B. Burgess, Clement M. Butler, L. Carter, Joseph T. Clark, Orange Clark, D. D., Samuel Cooke, Ebenezer H. Cressey, George Denison, William E. Eigenbrodt, Edmund Embury, John B. Gallagher, Benjamin Hale, D. D., Cicero S. Hawks, Pierre P. Irving, Bethel Judd, D. D., William Lucas, John McCarty, Stephen McHugh, Thomas Meachem, Kendrick Metcalf, Thomas Morris, Rusus Murray, George H. Norton, Henry Peck, Augustine P. Prevost, Pierre Alexis Proal, John C. Rudd, D. D., William Shelton, D. D., Lucius Smith, Richard Smith, Erastus Spalding, Henry L. Storrs, Lewis Thibou, Foster Thayer, Henry Tullidge, John V. Van Ingen, Russel Wheeler, Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., Marshall Whiting, Lloyd Windsor, Gordon Winslow.

The Churches of the Diocese were then called in order; when the following gentlemen appeared as Lay-Delegates and took their seats, viz: from

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.
Alleghany	St. Paul's, Angelica	John Collins,
	, 0	Richard Charles,
		Robert H. Tucker.
Cayuga	St. Peter's, Auburn	George B. Throop,
		George H. Wood,
		R. C. Steele,
		Hachaliah Burt.
	Trinity, Fredonia	Jonathan Sprague.
Chemung	Trinity, Elmira	Thomas Maxwell,
		Hervey Luce,
		S. E. Sweetland,
		Grant B. Baldwin.
	St. John's, Johnson's Settlement	
Erie	St. Paul's, Buffalo	George B. Webster,
		Lester Brace.
	Trinity, Buffalo	Selah Barnard.
Genesee	St. James', Batavia	Heman J. Redfield,
	•	David E. Evans,
		Junius A. Smith.
	St. Mark's, LeRoy	Timothy Hatch,
		Thomas T. Everett,

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	delegates.
Jefferson	Zion, Pierrepont Manor	Wm. C. Pierrepont.
	St. Michael's, Geneseo	Charles H. Carrol.
•	St. John's, Mount Morris	William B. Rogers.
Madison	St. Thomas', Hamilton	
Monroe	Grace, Rochester	Hiram Leonard,
		George H. Mumford.
	St. Luke's Rochester	Vincent Matthews,
		Frederick Whittlesey
	•	E. Darwin Smith,
		Henry E. Rochester.
<b></b>	Trinity, Penfield	
Niagara	St. Paul's, Lewiston	
	Grace, Lockport	William Sibley.
Oneida	Grace, Utica	
	St. Paul's, Holland Patent	P. C. J. DeAngelis.
	Trinity, Utica	
		Chester Griswold,
O	Anamalia Callan	Elisha Wells.
Onondaga	Apostolic, Geddes	Lusia Marsi.
	Grace, Baldwinsville	
	St. Mark's, Jamesville	
	St. Paul's, Syracuse	Wm. A. Cook.
	Trinity Favotteville	
	Trinity, Fayetteville	
Ontario	St. Joha's, Canandaigua	
Ontario	St. Paul's, Richmond	
	Trinity, Centrefield	
	Tribity, Controlled to the tribits	Orlando Morse,
		Charles Crane.
	Trinity, Geneva	<del>-</del>
		Robert C. Nicholas,
		David Hudson,
	·	Wm. S. De Zeng,
		Thomas D. Burrell,
		Joseph G. Swift.
Orleans	St. John's, Medina	Joseph Nixon,
		B. Fairman.
Seneca	St. Paul's, Waterloo	W. V. S. Mercer,
		Samuel Clark,
		John Watkins,
		Jesse Clark.
	Trinity, Seneca Falls	
		Samuel Dey,
		Stephen S. Viele,
		James S. Shethar,
		Gary V. Sackett.

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.
Steuben	St. Thomas', Bath	Robert L. Underhill.
	St. James', Hammond's Port	
Tompkins	St. John's, Ithaca	
•	Trinity, Hector	
Wayne	St. John's, Sodus	Charles W. Reese, Elias R. Cook,
	~ ×	Oren Gaylord.
	Grace, Lyons	William H. Adams, William H. Lacy.
Yates	St. Mark's, Penn Yan	Abraham Dox,
		William Whitney.

The Rev. Mr. Proal, in behalf of the committee, appointed to consider and report the mode of proceeding to organize the convention of the Diocese of Western New York, and also Rules of Order for its government, reported in part as follows, viz:

That by the existing constitution of this Diocese, it is provided in article V. "That in case of a vacancy in the Bishopric, or necessary absence of the Bishop, the members shall elect a President from among the clergy." As there is no Bishop of the Diocese of Western New York, and none can be elected, and as no other Bishop can be invited to exercise Episcopal jurisdiction, until the convention itself is duly constituted, there seems to be an absolute necessity for the appointment of a President, to preside until there be a Bishop entitled to preside under the constitution and canons of the church.

That being done, it will then be competent to the convention to place itself under the Episcopal authority of the Bishop of another Diocese, who by that act, in the language of the canon of the General Convention, will become the Bishop also of this Diocese, and, as such, under the constitution will be entitled to preside in the convention. The committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following motion:

Resolved, That the members of the convention do now proceed to choose a President thereof, from among the clergy, to continue as such until there be a Bishop entitled to preside under the constitution and canons of the church.

If the above should be adopted the committee recommend that a Secretary of the convention be then chosen, according to the canons, by ballot.

On motion the resolution recommended by the committee was then adopted.

On motion of the Rev. P. A. Proal, the Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D., was accordingly chosen President of the convention.

The President having taken the Chair, the convention preceded to ballot for a Secretary, whereupon the Rev. Pierre Alexis Proal was declared duly elected.

The Secretary appointed the Rev. John V. Van Ingen his assistant.

The Rev. Mr. Proal, from the committee on the organization of the convention then proposed the following:

Pursuant to the provisions of the second section of Canon III. of Canons for the government of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, passed in General Convention in Philadelphia, September, 1838.

Resolved, That the Diocese of Western New York be and the same is hereby placed under the full Episcopal charge and authority of the Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of New York, until a Bishop be duly elected and consecrated for the said Diocese of Western New York, or until this resolution be revoked.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing resolution duly attested by the officers of this convention be delivered to the Right Rev. Bishop B. T. Onderdonk, D. D., by a committee of three members to be appointed by the Chair.

These resolutions were on motion adopted unanimously.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Whitehouse, the Rev. Lucius Smith, and Charles H. Carroll, Esq., as the committee proposed in the second resolution recommended by the committee.

The Rev. Mr. Proal thereupon offered the following preamble and resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, It has been resolved by the Convention of the Protestestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York, to "divide the Diocese of New York into two Dioceses; and that such division take effect on this first day of November," A. D. 1838:—And Whereas, The Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk in his sermon this morning; delivered, by request of several of the Clergy and Laity of this Diocese, at the opening of the Primary Convention of the Diocese of Western New York, has expressed in an affectionate manner his feelings on being officially separated from this portion of his beloved flock: Therefore

Resolved, That this Convention have heard with feelings of inexpressible love and reverence the interesting, dignified, and affectionate farewell discourse delivered by the Bishop; and reciprocate with unrestrained cordiality, the kindness and tenderness manifested both in its sentiments and in its delivery.

Resolved, That this Convention have the fullest confidence in their late Bishop — in the rectitude of his principles—in the purity of his motives— and in the elevation of his benevolent and amiable character. And they are happy in bearing their testimony, not only to the kindness of his manner, and the urbanity of his

intercourse as their Diocesan: — but, also, to the soundness of his policy, and the correctness of his proceedings whether within the sphere of his own Diocese, or in the concerns of the church at large.

On motion it was

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolutions be presented to the Right Rev. B. T. Onderdouk D. D., by the same committee.

The Convention then took a recess of ten minutes; at the expiration of which the President resumed his seat.

The Right Rev. the Bishop of the diocese of New York was then introduced by the committee appointed for that purpose, and the President of the Convention welcomed him to the Chair in the following

#### ADDRESS.

"Right Rev. Father in God:

You are already informed that, by an act of this body, you have been requested to take the Episcopal Charge of the diocese of Western New York, agreeably to the provisions of the canon of the General Convention, and you thereby become our President. I may be allowed to say, that under the circumstances of this arrangement, I have far greater pleasure in retiring from this Chair, than that which I experienced in entering upon its duties; while I cannot but tender to the members of this Convention my hearty thanks for the honor they have done me, praying always for them all, that God will graciously have them, at all times, in his holy keeping, and especially during their present deliberations—that he will guide and sanctify them by his Holy Spirit, and bestow upon them his heavenly benedictions."

JOHN C. RUDD, D. D.,

President of the Convention of the Diocese of Western New York.

After a few appropriate remarks by Bishop Onderdonk on taking the Chair accepting the appointment and expressing his gratitude for this new token of the esteem, affection, and confidence of the members of the Convention, it was

On motion of the Rev. Mr. McHugh

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be returned to the Rev. Dr. Rudd for the able and dignified manner in which he has presided over the past proceedings of this house.

The Rev. Mr. Proal, from the committee on the organization of the Convention, then offered for adoption

#### RULES OF ORDER,

for the conduct of this Convention.

On motion, these rules were unanimously adopted, and ordered to be printed in the Appendix. [See Appendix No. 1.]

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Certain proposed alterations in the Canons of this diocese having been submitted by Mr. J. C. Spencer, it was

Resolved, That they be referred to a committee of four members

to consider and report upon them to-morrow.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Dr.'s Rudd and Hale, John C. Spencer, and Chester Griswold, Esq'rs, as the committee.

Mr. Spencer then offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, That this Convention do now proceed to choose by ballot five persons to be Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate in this diocese, and that the persons so chosen be empowered to receive from the Trustees of the Episcopal fund of the dincese of New York, securities or money to the amount of thirty-five thousand dollars, appropriated by a resolution of that Convention to That the said trustees the support of the Episcopate in this diocese. do hold their offices during the pleasure of this Convention, and that they cause the said principal sum to be invested in securities on real estate, at seven per cent. interest, but not to change any existing investment unless desired by the debtor, or when it may be deemed precari-That they pay the income of the said fund to the Bishop of this diocese, when elected, semi-annually from the time of his consecration, if the said income be received in time for such semi-annual payment; and that they report to each annual convention the state of the said fund, and their receipts and payments.

Whereupon, with the consent of the mover, ordered that this reso-

lution be laid on the table.

Agreeably to the rules of order this day adopted, the Right Rev. President appointed J. C. Spencer, Esq., the Rev. Mr. Mc-Carty and Charles H. Carroll, Esq., the standing committee on the admission into union with this Convention, of Churches applying for the same.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Proal,

Resolved, That a committee of five persons be appointed to ascertain and report such alterations in the Constitution and Canons as have become necessary to adapt them to the present circumstances of this Diocese.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Mr. Proal, the Rev. Lucius Smith, the Rev. Dr. Shelton, Wm. S. De Zeng, and Tho's H. Hubbard, Esq'rs.

The committee on the admission of Churches into union with this Convention reported verbally,

That the incorporation of St. Luke's Church, Brockport, Monroe county, is correct in all respects.

Whereupon, on motion, Resolved, That the said Church be received into union with this Convention.

Accordingly Mr. Jerome Fuller, a delegate from the same church, appeared and took his seat.

On motion, Resolved, That when this convention adjourn, it adjourn to meet again at seven o'clock this evening.

Whereupon the house took a recess until seven o'clock.

THURSDAY EVENING, 7 O'CLOCK.

The Convention re-assembled.

The Rev. Orange Clark, D. D., offered the following resolution: Resolved, That this Convention do now proceed to the election of a Bishop.

On motion of Mr. E. D. Smith,

Resolved, That the same be laid on the table.

The Ayes and Noes having been required by three votes, were taken as follows:

CLERGY.—Aye—Allanson, Barrows, Bolles, Bostwick, Brayton, Burgess, Butler, Carter, J. T. Clark, Cooke, Cressy, Denison, Gallagher, Hale, Hawks, Irving, Judd, McCarty, R. Smith, Spalding, Van Ingen, Whitehouse, Whiting, Wanslow.—24.

No—Attwater, Beardsley, O. Clark, Eigenbrodt, Lucas, Mc-Hugh, Meachem, Metcalf, Morris, Murray, Peck, Prevost, Rudd, Shelton, L. Smith, Storrs, Thibou, Thayer, Tullidge, Windsor.—20.

LAITY.—Aye—Trinity, Buffalo; Zion, Pierrepont Manor; St. Michael's, Geneseo; St. John's, Mount Morris; St. Luke's, Rochester; St. Luke's, Brockport; Grace, Lockport; Grace, Utica; Trinity, Fayetteville; Apostolic, Geddes; St. Mark's, Jamesville; Zion, Onondaga; St. Paul's, Syracuse; Grace, Baldwinsville; St. Paul's, Richmond; St. John's, Canandaigua; Trinity, Centrefield; Trinity, Geneva; St. John's, Ithaca; St. John's, Sodus; St. Mark's, Penn Yan.—21.

No—St. Paul's, Angelica; St. Peter's, Auburn; Trinity, Elmira; St. John's, Johnson's Settlement; St. Paul's, Buffalo; St. James', Batavia; St. Mark's, Le Roy; St. Thomas', Hamilton; Grace, Rochester; St. Paul's, Lewiston; St. Paul's, Holland Patent; Trinity, Utica; St. John's, Medina; Trinity, Seneca Falls; St. Paul's, Waterloo; St. Thomas', Bath; St. James', Hammond's Port; Trinity, Hector; Grace, Lyons.—19.

The Convention adjourned to nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, NOV. 2, 9 O'CLOCK.

The Convention met. Morning prayers were read by the Rev. Gordon Winslow, after which the Acting Bishop took the Chair.

At the calling of the roll, the following clergymen not present yesterday, answered to their names, viz: The Rev. John Bayley, Thomas J. Ruger.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read, and approved.

The Acting Bishop then delivered the following

#### ADDRESS.

## My Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:-

Among the many most gratifying circumstances which have attended the deeply interesting event of the division of the Diocese of New York, and which have excited in me emotions of the most

heartfelt thanksgiving for the manifest tokens that we have enjoyed of His presence and favor who is "the Heal over all things to the Church"; none have more deeply affected me than that mark of your confidence and esteem which has placed me at the head of a diocese which was so long a beloved and honored portion of my episcopal charge. The affectionate tokens, too, which accompanied the communication of the act which has called me to this chair, in the resolutions which you were so good as to found on the discourse of yesterday; in the very kind, courteous and interesting manner in which your committee conducted the interview with which they honored me; and in the remarks with which my old and valued brother, to whom you so properly gave the presidency over your incipient proceedings, resigned the chair in my favor - all these circumstances, brethren, have added much to the feelings of grateful affection with which I accept the provisional charge of your diocese.

And now, brethren, I commend you to the guiding and aiding grace of God in your present important deliberations and proceedings. Remember that you are Christians engaged in your Master's work; and members of the holy church of Christ, who should be very jealous, with a godly jealousy, of her sauctity, purity, good order, and welfare. Remember, too, that you are members of a portion of that church which is characterized by a peculiar solicitude for regularity and good order in all things. Nor should I forget that you were but recently a part of a diocese, in whose long course of more than half a century's operations, principles have been followed, a spirit cherished, and a policy pursued, which God has eminently blessed to its enlargement and strength, to its extended influence for good, and to the growth of its members in that true godliness which is manifested by the scripturally required fruits of the Spirit. the operation of these principles, and this spirit and policy, precedents have been set, and modes of operation pursued, from which you would be wise never causelessly to depart.

May God be with you, and direct all your proceedings, through a Christian course to a truly Christian termination!

On motion of Mr. J. C. Spencer, Resolved, That the rules of order be suspended for the purpose of going into the election of a Bishop.

Resolved, That this house do now proceed to elect a Bishop for the Diocese of Western New York.

Whereupon, the Acting Bishop made to the house the following

#### ADDRESS.

#### DEAR BRETHREN: -

You are now about to enter on a measure of the most weighty responsibility. Solemnize your minds with devout and holy reflections on its true import. Secretly in your prayers make your humble supplications to God for His grace to guide you therein aright. For this purpose silence will now be kept for a space; after which I will request you to accompany me to the throne of the heavenly grace in prayers, better than which we cannot have, which the church has taught us.

Accordingly, after some moments spent in secret devotions the Convention united with the Bishop in appropriate prayers from the Liturgy.

After these prayers, the house proceeded to ballot for a Bishop. The Chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Shelton, the Rev. Mr. Prevost, and Mr. William C. Pierrepont, tellers to receive the votes of the Clergy.

The Clergy having, at the call of their names by the Secretary, deposited their votes, the Chair appointed Messrs. William B. Rogers, and Charles H. Carroll, and the Rev. Mr. Metcalf, tellers to receive the votes of the Laity.

Whereupon the several parishes represented, upon the call of

their names by the Secretary, deposited their votes.

The tellers then announced, that having counted the votes, a majority of both orders had concurred in the election of the Reverend William Heathcore De Lancey, D. D., of the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

The Rev. Benj. Hale, D. D., then offered the following resolu-

tion, viz:

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Resolved, That the Rev. WILLIAM HEATHCOTE DE LANCEY, D. D., be, and he hereby is, unanimously elected Bishop of the Diocese of Western New York.

This resolution having been seconded by the Rev. John McCarty, was unanimously adopted.

Mr. E. D. Smith moved that the house proceed immediately to the election of a Treasurer, which was adopted; when,

On motion, it was unanimously resolved that the election by bal-

lot be dispensed with.

William S. Philpot, Esq., was then nominated and appointed Treasurer of this Convention.

On motion of Mr. E. D. Smith, Resolved, That the house proceed to the election of Trustees of the Episcopal fund of this diocese.

The following named gentlemen were then elected: John C. Spencer, Alexander B. Johnson, Gary V. Sacket, William W. Mumford, and Heman J. Redfield, Esq'rs.

The hour for that purpose having arrived, the house then took a

recess until two o'olock.

### FRIDAY AFTERNOON, 2 O'CLOCK.

The Convention re-assembled pursuant to the rules of order. The Acting Bishop announced to the Convention, that the engressed copy of the canonical certificate in behalf of the Bishop elect of this diocese, was on the table and ready for the signatures of the members; who then signed the same in order.

Leave of absence during the remainder of the session was then,

at his request, granted to the Rev. Dr. Whitehouse.

On motion of the Rev. O. Clark, D. D.,

Resolved, That the Acting Bishop, together with two others to be appointed by the Chair, be a committee to wait upon the Bishop elect, and advise him of his election.

The Rev. Mr. Proal and J. C. Spencer, Esq., were accordingly appointed.

On motion of Mr. J. C. Spencer,

Resolved, That the standing committee be requested forthwith to take the necessary measures to obtain the consecration of the Rev. William H. De Lancey, D. D., Bishop elect of the Diocese of Western New York; and, if practicable, that the same be had within this diocese; and, in that event, that the Acting Bishop of the Diocese be requested to call a special meeting of this Convention at the time and place appointed for the consecration.

On motion of the Rev. William Lucas,

Resolved, That should the consecration of the Bishop elect take place within the limits of this Diocese, it be held, if agreeable to the presiding Bishop, in St. Peter's Church, Auburn, Cayuga county.

The Rev. J. C. Rudd, D. D., from the special committee on certain alterations and amendments to the canons, proposed yesterday by Mr. J. C. Spencer, reported, recommending their adoption.

The question having been taken on each alteration and amendment separately, they were severally adopted, as follows, viz:

#### AMENDMENT TO CANON VI. OF THE TREASURER.

Add to section 1, the following: He shall be subject to the direction of the standing committee in relation to the mode and place of depositing the funds received by him, and the manner of paying them out, and his accounts and books shall be at all times subject to the inspection of the standing committee or any member thereof. Before entering on the duties of his office he shall give a bond to the standing committee, in such penalty and with such surety as they shall direct, conditional for the faithful performance of his duties, and for the delivery over to his successor all funds, securities, books and papers pertaining to his office.

Add to section 8. The Treasurer may be removed at any time from his office by the standing committee, for any neglect or misconduct.

AMENDMENT TO CANON XV. RESPECTING MISSIONARIES.

The preamble and first section of Canon xv. are hereby repealed, and the following shall be substituted as section 1:

Section 1. The Standing Committee of this Diocese, is hereby appointed the Missionary Board thereof, with all the powers specified in the canon respecting missionaries, adopted by the Convention of the Diocese of New York, on the 23d day of Angust, 1838.

AMENDMENT TO CANON XVIII.

Any Canon may be suspended temporarily, by unanimous consent.

AMENDMENT TO CANON II.

Section 6 of Canon II. is hereby amended, so that twenty clergymen and delegates from twenty congregations, shall be sufficient to constitute a quorum.

The Rev. P. A. Proal, from the committee on the alterations and amendments to the Constitution and Canons, rendered necessary to adapt them to the circumstances of the new diocese, made the following

REPORT.

The committee to whom was referred the Constitution and Canons, to point out the alterations necessary to adapt them to our present organization, submit the following as their report to the Convention:

On examining the subject committed to them, they find several important changes requisite under the existing circumstances of the diocese. These changes, however, involve principles of too much interest to be acted upon without mature deliberation. They recommend therefore to the house the adoption of the following resolutions, viz:

- 1. Resolved, That wherever the words "State of New York" occur in the Constitution and Canons as designating the title of the diocese, they be so amended as to read "the Diocese of Western New York."
- 2. Resolved, That the first article of the Constitution be so amended as to read, "There shall be a Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western New York, on the Wednesday next preceding the last Wednesday in the month of September, in each year."
- 3. Resolved. That the Constitution and Canons thus amended, be referred to a committee of this Convention, of which the Bishop of the diocese shall be the chairman, to report thereon at the next annual Convention; and that for all the purposes of Canon XVIII. "concerning alterations in the canons and additions thereto," the present action of this house be considered as fulfilling its preliminary requirements.

  On behalf of the Committee.

P. A. PROAL, Chairman.

The question being taken on the resolutions submitted by the committee, the first and third were adopted as reported.

Under the third of the above resolutions the Chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Rudd, Rev. P. A. Proal, Rev. Dr. O. Clark, J. C. Spencer, David Hudson, and Jonas Earll, jr.

The second resolution being under consideration, it was, on mo-

tion of Mr. J. C. Spencer,

Resolved, That the same be amended by striking out the words "Wednesday next preceding the last Wednesday in the month of September," and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "Thursday next after the first Wednesday" in the month of August."

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The said second resolution, as amended, was then adopted in the

following words:-

Resolved. That the first article of the Constitution be so amonded as to read "There shall be a Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western New York, on the Thursday next after the first Wednesday in the month of August, in each year," &c.

The resolution offered yesterday by Mr. Spencer, and laid upon the table, respecting the Trustees of the Episcopal fund, having been called, was taken up for consideration, and being amended, was

unanimously adopted in the following form, viz:—

Resolved, That the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate in this diocese be empowered to receive from the Trustees of the Episcopal fund of the Diocese of New York, securities or money to the amount of thirty five thousand dollars, appropriated by a resolution of that convention to the support of the Episcopate in this diocese;—

That the said Trustees do hold their offices during the pleasure of this Convention, and that they cause the said principal sum to be invested in securities on real estate at seven per cent. interest, but not to change any existing investment unless desired by the debtor,

or when it may be deemed precarious; —

That they cause the income of the said fund to be collected, and to be paid to the Bishop of this diocese, when elected, semi-annually, from the time of his consecration, if the said income be received in time for such semi-annual payment; and that they report to each annual convention the state of the said fund, and their receipts and payments.

On motion, unanimously Resolved, That the Right Rev. the President of this Convention be requested to furnish a copy of the

sermon preached at its opening, for publication.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Bostwick,

Resolved. That the Clergy of this diocese having cures within the same, be requested to make a collection in their respective parishes, within a month from this time, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Convention, and transmit the same to William S. Philpot, Esq., Canandaigua, Treasurer of the Convention.

The house went into the election of delegates to the General Con-

vention, when the following gentlemen were elected, viz:—

Rev. Dr. Whitehouse, the Rev. Mr. Proal, the Rev. Dr. Shelton, and the Rev. Mr. Van Ingen of the Clergy; and Jno. C. Spencer, Charles H. Carroll, Jonas Earll, jr., and Jesse Clark, Esq'rs, of the Laity.

On motion, the house then resolved to take a recess for one hour.

FRIDAY EVENING, 7 O'CLOCK.

The Convention re-assembled. The Acting Bishop took the Chair. The house then proceeded to the election of a Standing

Committee for the ensuing year; and the following gentlemen were elected: the Rev. Dr. Shelton, the Rev. Wm. Lucas, and the Rev. Dr.'s Hale and Rudd of the Clergy; and Wm. C. Pierrepont, Thomas H. Hubbard, Robert C. Nichelas, and Vincent Matthews, Esq'rs, of the Laity.

On motion,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to prepare a form of certificate of incorporation of churches, with instructions, and that the same when prepared be printed in an appendix to the journals. And that there also be printed in the said appendix directions for candidates for holy orders. And that the same number of copies of this journal be printed as has been usual in the Diocese of New York, and be distributed in the same manner.

The Chair appointed Messrs. J. C. Spencer, D. Hudson, and

H. J. Redfield, on this committee.

On motion of the Rev. O. Clark, D. D.,

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to collect the documents relative to the division of the Diecese of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York, and the formation of the Diocese of Western New York, and report the same to the next convention of this diocese for the perpose of being printed.

The Chair appointed Rev. Dr's Clark and Rudd, and Mr. H. Burt.

On motion of the Rev. John V. Van Ingen,

Resolved, That a special committee to consist of three Clergymen and two Laymen, be appointed to consider and report at the next Convention, upon the subject of forming a Diocesan Sunday School Depository.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Messrs. Van Ingen, Metcalf, and Irving, of the Clergy; and Messrs. Pierrepont, and Luce of the Laity.

On motion of Wm. S. De Zeng, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted, viz:—

Whereas, The Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, have been constrained to appeal to the Churches of our Communion throughout the United States, for collections or contributions to meet the current expenses of the Seminary, for the next five years: And whereas, the extent and affluence of the diocese, the permanent establishment of the Seminary within this state, and the momentous object of Theological Education, are considerations which most impressively demand of the churchmen of the state of New York, a prompt, united, and liberal response to this appeal.

Therefore, Resolved, That this Convention do fully recognize the peculiar claims of the Seminary, to the zealous support of the Epis-

copalians of this diocese.

Resolved, That the Convention do earnestly recommend to the clergy, who may have the charge of congregations, and to the vestries destitute of ministers, to have the collections contemplated by the Trustees, made on, or before the Sunday after Ascension Day, in every year.

The house then proceeded to the election of supplemental delegates to the General Convention; when the following gentlemen were elected, viz:—

Rev. Messrs. Irving, Winslow, Hawks, and Dr. O. Clark, of the Clergy; and William S. De Zeng, Heman J. Redfield, John E. Hinman and William H. Seward, of the Laity.

On motion of the Rev. J. V. Van Ingen,

Resolved, That it be recommended to the churches of this diocese to patronize and encourage "the Journal of Religious education, or the Family and Sunday School Visiter," about to be issued by the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union of the Church, and also, "the Children's Magazine," now published by the same Society.

On motion of Mr. J. C. Spencer, seconded by Mr. Wm. S.

De Zeng,

Resolved unanimously, That the thanks of this convention be presented to the Right Rev. B. T. Onderdonk, D. D., for the impartiality, dignity, and ability with which he has presided over the deliberations of this body.

The Acting Bishop made to the house, in reply, some brief remarks expressing his grateful sense of the courteous manner in which his services had been received.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Clark,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the congregation of Trinity Church, and the inhabitants of the village of Geneva generally, for the hospitality so generously extended to its members during the present session; and that the Rector of Trinity Church, Geneva, be requested to give publicity to this resolution in such way as he may deem expedient.

The minutes of the day were then read and approved, and the house having on motion resolved to adjourn after the usual religious

exercises, the Acting Bishop made the following

#### ADDRESS.

### Brethren: ---

I sincerely congratulate you on the very happy manner in which this our first Convention has been conducted and has terminated. We may, I trust, with humility indeed, but with much faith and Christian confidence, say that God has been with us of a truth. Carry this sentiment home with you. Meditate much upon it. Make it the incentive to devout thanksgiving and humble prayer—thanksgiving that God has dealt so lovingly with us, and prayer that we may have grace duly to improve His mercy. My brethren of the Clergy will not fail to urge upon their people, by precept and example, the constant maintenance of the spirit of Christian affec-

tion, unity, and order, which has been so signally blessed among us. The Laity, too, will, I trust, second herein the godly efforts of their pastors. And may this diocese, under the constant experience of the abundant blessings of God's providence and grace, be largely increased, strengthened and prospered! May it be made an honored instrument of building up its members in the true faith and piety of the gospel, and of extending their holy influences! And to those influences, beloved brethren, I affectionately commend you, your families, and your parishes, for your growth in grace, your comfort in sorrow, and your safe guidance through the changes and chances of this mortal life, to the glory, honor, and immortality of heaven!

Let us commence our parting devotions by singing the 202d Hymn.

Whereupon, the Convention having united in singing the said Hymn, and in appropriate prayers from the Liturgy by the Acting Bishop; and having received his blessing, adjourned sine die.

Signed by order of the Convention,

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK, D. D.,

Acting Bishop of the Diocese of Western New York, and President of the Convention.

Attest,
PIERRE ALEXIS PROAL, Secretary.

# APPENDIX.

#### NO. I.

# RULES OF ORDER,

IN CONDUCTING THE BUSINESS OF THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESS.

OF WESTERN NEW YORK.

I. At the opening of any session of the Convention, the President shall take the chair, and shall continue to preside during its sitting. He shall possess the usual powers of presiding officers in deliberative assemblies, to preserve order and decorum, and shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house. He shall have the right to name any clerical member to perform the duties of the Chair, but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment, unless directed by the house. The person so named shall possess all the powers of the President, but shall not lose the right of voting while so presiding.

II. If the Secretary of the preceding Convention be in attendance, he shall officiate as such, until another be chosen. If he be not present, or there shall be none, a temporary Secretary may be

appointed on motion by a viva voce vote.

shall call over the names of the clergy entitled to seats in the Convention, and shall enter in the Journals those who are present. Notice shall then be given to the Lay Delegates to place their certificates on the table. They shall be examined by the Secretary and a committee of two members to be appointed by the President. Any irregular or defective certificate shall be suspended until a quorum shall have appeared. The names of the Lay Delegates duly appointed shall then be called, and those who are present shall be entered on the Journals. The irregular and defective certificates shall then be reported to the Convention, who shall decide on the admission of the delegates named in them.

IV. A constitutional quorum being found to be present, the Pre-

sident shall declare the Convention duly organized.

V. A Secretary shall then be chosen in the manner prescribed by the canons. He may appoint an assistant, who shall perform all the duties of the office, in the absence of the Secretary.

VI. The following standing committees shall be appointed by

the President :-

1. On the admission into union with this Convention of churches applying for the same, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen.

2. On the diocesan fund, to consist of two clergymen and two laymen, together with the Treasurer of the Convention.

3. On the accounts of the Treasurer, to consist of three laymen.

VII. A Treasurer of the Convention shall be appointed by ballot, unless dispensed with by an unanimous vote, when he may be appointed on metion.

VIII. After the daily morning prayer the order of business, which shall not be departed from without the consent of two-thirds of the

members present, shall be as follows:

1. The reading, correcting, and approving of the minutes of the preceding day.

2. Calling the names of absent members and entering in the

Journal those who appear.

- 3. Reports from standing committees in the following order:—
  - 1. From the committee on the admission into union with the Convention of this diocese of churches applying for that purpose.

2. From the committee on the diocesan fund.

- 3. From the committee on the Treasurer's accounts.
- 4. Reports from the Secretary, and Treasurer, when those officers have any business committed to them, shall then be in order: and then Reports from the Trustees of the Episcopal fund.

5. Reports from special committees in the order in which

they were appointed.

6. Motions, resolutions, and miscellaneous business.

IX. The Bishop's Address shall be in order at any time.

X. Every member who shall be present when a question is stated from the Chair shall vote thereon unless excused by the house.

XI. No motion shall be put or debated until it is seconded; and when seconded it shall be stated by the President before debate, and every motion shall be reduced to writing when required by the President, or any member.

XII. If the question in debate contain several distinct propo-

sitions, any member may have the same divided.

XIII. When a question is under debate no motion shall be received unless to postpone it indefinitely; to postpone it to a certain time; to lay it on the table; to commit it or amend it; and motions for either of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. But a motion to adjourn shall always be in order when no member is speaking and shall be decided without debate; and if it be negatived, it shall not be renewed until some other business has intervened.

XIV. A motion to lay on the table shall be decided without debate.

XV. On a question being put by the President, it shall be determined by the sound of voices for or against it, but any member may require a count of the votes, and tellers for that purpose shall be appointed by the Chair—or any three votes may, previous to a decision by count, require the ayes and noes to be taken, which shall be done by calling the names of the clerical members and the churches represented, and the votes shall be entered in the Journals.

XVI. Any five votes may require the ayes and noes to be taken by orders, and when so taken, they shall be entered on the minutes.

XVII. No member may speak more than twice on the same question without leave of the house.

XVIII. A question being decided shall not be reconsidered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the votes of the Convention, nor without the motion for that purpose being made by one of the majority on the prior decision: nor shall any question be reconsidered more than once.

XIX. All special committees shall be appointed by the Chair, unless otherwise specially directed by the house, in which case they

shall be appointed by ballot.

XX. The election of the Standing Committee, and of Delegates to the General Convention, the election of any person to supply a vacancy in the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal fund, and the choice of a Treasurer shall be the first business, after the approval of the minutes, on the second day of every annual meeting of the Convention.

XXI. No standing rule or order shall be suspended, changed, or rescinded without one day's previous notice of a motion to that effect, unless by the votes of two-thirds of the persons present entitled to vote.

XXII. Before the final adjournment of any session of the Convention, the minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read,

corrected, and approved.

XXIII. Unless otherwise ordered by the Convention, it shall meet at nine o'clock in the morning, take a recess from one to two o'clock in the afternoon, and adjourn for the day at six o'clock P. M.

# APPENDIX.

#### No. 11.

### LIST OF CHURCHES IN THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW YORK.

Alleghany County,	Angelica,	St. Paul's.
Broome County,	Hunt's Hollow, Binghampton,	St. Mark's. Christ's.
Dicome County,	Harpersville,	St. Luke's
Cattaraugus County,	Ellicotville,	St. John's
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Cayuga County,	Auburn,	St. Peter's.
	Aurora,	St. Paul's.
	Moravia,	St. Matthew's.
Chautauque County,		St. Peter's.
	Fredonia,	Trinity.
	Jamestown,	St. Luke's.
	Mayville,	St. Paul's.
	Westfield,	St. Peter's.
Chemung County,	Big Flatts,	St. Paul's.
	Elmira,	Trinity.
	Jefferson,	St. James'.
	Johnson's Settlement,	
Chenango County,	Bainbridge,	St. Peter's.
	Ceventry,	Trinity.
	Fayetteville,	Christ.
	Greene,	Zion.
	Mount Upton,	Grace.
	New Berlin,	St. Andrew's.
	Norwich,	Emmanuel.
	Oxford,	St. Paul's. Christ.
Cartland Country	Sherburne,	
Cortland County,	Homer,	Calvary. St. Paul's.
Erie County,	Auroraville, Black Rock,	Grace.
	Buffalo,	St. Paul's.
	•	Trinity.
Genesee County,	Batavia,	St. James'.
General County,	Le Roy,	St. Mark's
	Shelden,	St. John's.
	Wethersfield,	St. Clement's.
Jefferson County,	Brownville,	St. Paul's.
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Pierrepont Manor,	Zion.
	Sacker's Harbor,	Christ.
	Watertown,	Trinity.
Lewis County,	Turin,	St. Paul's, with
• •		St. Paul's Chapel at
		· Constableville.
•	Lowville,	Trinity.

Livingston County,		St. Peter's.
	Geneseo, Mount Morris,	St. Michael's. St. John's.
	West Avon,	Zion.
Madison County,	Hamilton,	St. Thomas'.
	Perryville,	St. Stephen's.
Monroe County,	Brockport,	St. Luke's.
• •	Penfield,	Trinity.
	Rochester,	Grace.
	_	St. Luke's.
Niagara County,	Lewiston,	St. Paul's.
	Lockport,	Christ.
	TTeller J Dansa	Grace.
Oneida County,	Holland Patent,	St. Paul's.
	New Hartford,	St. Stephen's.
	Oriskany,	St. Peter's. St. Paul's.
	Paris, Rome,	Zion.
	Utica,	Grace.
	O lice,	Trinity.
Onondaga County,	Fayetteville,	Trinity.
020223	Geddes,	Apostolic.
	Jamesville,	St. Mark's.
	Manlius,	Christ.
	Marcellus.	St. John's.
	Onondaga,	Zion.
	Pompey,	Christ.
	Skaneateles,	St. James'.
	Syracuse,	St. Paul's.
	Baldwinsville,	Grace.
Ontario,	Canandaigua,	St. John's.
	Centrefield,	Trinity.
	Geneva,	Trinity.
	Phelps,	St. John's.
Oslaana Campter	Richmond,	St. Paul's.
Orleans County,	Medina,	St. John's.
Oswego County,	Constantia, Fulton,	Trinity. Zion.
	Oswego,	Christ.
Seneca County,	Seneca Falls,	Trinity.
Beneca County,	Waterloo,	St. Paul's.
Steuben County,	Bath,	St. Thomas'.
Biologic Coulty,	Hammond's Port,	St. James'.
Tioga County,	Candor,	St. Mark's.
	Richford,	St. John's.
	Owego,	St. Paul's.
Tompkins County,	Danby,	Christ.
•	Hector,	Trinity.
	Ithaca,	St. John's.
	McLean,	Zion.
Wayne County,	Palmyra,	Zion.
	Sodus,	St. John's.
77 4 - 1 6	Lyons	Grace.
Yates' County,	Penn Yan,	St. Mark's.
Total — 96.		

# APPENDIX.

#### No. 1II.

#### DIRECTIONS

For persons desirous to become Candidates for Holy Orders, and for those desiring Ordination as Deacons and Priests.

DIRECTIONS FOR THUSE WISHING TO BECOME CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

- Can. VI 1888.—Sec. 1. A person wishing to become a candidate for Holy Orders must, in the first instance, give notice of his intention to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the ecclesiastical authority, or to the President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.
- Sec. 2. He is then to apply to the Standing Committee for their recommendation of him to the Bishop, to be admitted as a candidate for Orders. To enable the Committee to act, he must lay before them,—
- I. Evidence of his having made his intention known to the Bishop.
- II. A certificate to the following effect, unless the Standing Committee can certify the same facts of their own knowledge:
- "To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Western New York.

  (Date.)
- "We, the subscribers, from a satisfactory knowledge of the character of A. B., do hereby testify our belief that he is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrines, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and a communicant of the same; and in our opinion possesses such qualifications as will render him apt and meet to exercise the ministry to the glory of God and the edifying of the Church."
- The above certificate should be signed by one presbyter, and at least four respectable laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is not absolutely essential that the signers of the above should have a personal acquaintance with the applicant; but they may act upon such knowledge of his character from other sources as is satisfactory to them.

III. (Sec. 3.) A satisfactory diploma; or a certificate from the instructor or instructors of some approved literary institution, which certificate must state what have been his studies, and the extent of his improvement in them; or a certificate from two presbyters, appointed by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to examine

him of his possessing such academical learning as way enable him to enter advantageously on a course of Theology.

Or, (Sec. 4.) When the person applying to be admitted a candidate wishes the knowledge of the Latin and Greek languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, he must, instead of the above-mentioned diploma or certificate, lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial signed by at least two presbyters of the Church, stating that in their opinion he possesses extraordinary strength of natural understanding, a peculiar aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence; with proper evidence that the Bishop, with the consent of a majority of the clerical members of the Standing Committee, has granted such dispensation. The Canons provide that this dispensation shall not be granted to any person under 27 years of age, and that no person shall be ordained under such a dispensation until he shall have attained 30 years of age; but as to the Hebrew language, the power of dispensation rests with the Bishop alone, without reference to the age of the candidate. The Standing Committee may then sign a testimonial in behalf of the candidate, which he must produce to the Bishop, who (Sec. 6.) may thereon admit him as a candidate for Orders: in which station he must remain three years before his ordination, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the clerical members of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain him after the expiration of a shorter period, not less than one year.\*

DIRECTIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS WISHING TO BE ORDAINED DEACONS.

Can. XV.—(Sec. 2.) A candidate for Holy Orders wishing to be ordained a Deacon, must lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial in the following words:

" To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Western New York.

"We, whose names are hereunder written, do testify from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B., for the space of three years last past,

(Sec. 9.) If a candidate shall not, within three years after his admission, apply for his first and second examinations, or within five years for his third and fourth examinations, he shall in either case cease to be a candidate.

(Sec. 10.) Any person desirous to become a candidate for Holy Orders, must apply to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he resides, unless they shall consent that the application be made in some other Diocese.

Candidates are not to change their canonical residence but for bona fide causes requiring the same, and to be judged of by the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority.

The Canons contain also the following provisions, which, however, have no relation to the testimonials. (Sec. 5.) With this enumeration of qualifications, it ought to be made known to the candidate, that the Church expects of him—what can never be brought to the test of any outward standard—an inward fear and worship of Almighty God: a love of religion, and sensibility to its holy influence: a habit of devout affection: and in short, a cultivation of all those graces which are called in Scripture the fruits of the Spirit, and by which alone His sacred influence can be manifested.

hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Eiscopal Church; and more-ever, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this——day of——, in the year of our Lorn——."

The above certificate is to be subscribed by the minister and vestry of the parish where the candidate resides, or by the vestry alone if the parish be vacant, (of which circumstance the Committee must be duly certified,) and must contain the names of at least a majority of all the wardens and vestrymen. The respective titles of the minister, wardens, and vestrymen must be attached to their signatures. If there is no vestry where the candidate resides, the circumstance must be certified to the Committee, and then the testimonial must be signed by at least twelve respectable persons of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is not absolutely essential that the signers of this testimonial should be personally acquainted with the candidate; they may act upon a satisfactory knowledge of his character from any other source.

The candidate must also lay before the Standing Committee a certificate in the following words:

### "To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Western New York:

"I do hereby testify that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of Deacons. This testimonial is founded on my personal knowledge of the said A. B., for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this ——day of——, in the of our Lord——."

The above testimonial must be signed by at least one respectable presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. The Standing Committee may then sign the canonical recommendation to the Bishop for Orders; which the candidate is to exhibit to the Bishop.

#### DIRECTIONS FOR DEACONS WISHING TO BE ORDERED PRIESTS.

A Deacon wishing to be ordered a Priest, must lay before the Standing Committee the same testimonials, subscribed in the same way, as those required of him on his application for ordination as a Deacon; except (Sec. 5.) that they may be so altered as to extend to such portion only of the three years preceding his application for

Priest's Orders as has elapsed since his ordination as Deacon; and except also, that if he be the minister of the parish, the testimonial of piety, good morals, and orderly conduct, shall be signed by the vestry alone. The Standing Committee may then give him the canonical recommendation for Orders, which he is to exhibit to the Bishop.

No person shall be ordained Priest, unless he shall produce to the Bishop a satisfactory certificate, from some church, parish, or congregation, that he is engaged with them, and that they will receive him as their minister; or unless he be a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he belongs; or in the employment of some missionary society recognized by the General Convention; or unless he be engaged as a professor, tutor, or instructor of youth, in some college, academy, or other seminary of learning duly incorporated.\*

Candidates for ordination as Priests or Deacons, are referred to the following further provisions.

Canon XV.—Sec. 3.)—If the candidate, from peculiar circumstances not affecting his pious or moral character, shall be unable to procure testimonials from the ministry and vestry of the parish where he resides, testimonials to the effect required may be received from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and from at least one respectable presbyter who has been personally acquainted with the candidate for at least one year.

(Sec. 4.)—A candidate recommended by the Standing Committee of any church destitute of a Bishop, if he shall have resided for the greater part of the last three years within the Diocese of a Bishop, shall apply to such Bishop for ordination, and shall produce the usual testimonials, as well from the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he has resided, as from the Committee of the Church in the Diocese for which he is to be ordained.

(Sec 5.)—In the case of a candidate for Priest's Orders, who has been ordained a Deacon within three years preceding, the testimonials above prescribed may be so altered as to extend to such portion only of the three years preceding his application for Priest's Orders, as have elapsed since his ordination as Deacon.

<sup>\*</sup> For the case of one who has officiated as a minister of another denomination, see Canon IV. of the General Convention of 1838.

# APPENDIX.

#### No. IV.

#### INSTRUCTIONS AND FORMS

FOR THE INCORPORATION OF AN EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK;

Prepared by a Committee appointed for that purpose by the Convention of the Diocese of Western New York, November, 1838.

- I. The Persons who may incorporate themselves.—By the act of March 5th, 1819, (3d vol. Rev. Statutes, p. 301 of 1st edition and p. 213 of second edition,) it is provided that the male persons of full age, belonging to any church, congregation or religious society, in which divine worship shall be celebrated according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this state, and not already incorporated, may at any time meet for the purpose of incorporating themselves.
  - 1. They must be males, of twenty one years of age.
- 2. They must at the time, actually belong to a church, congregation, or religious society, &c. The length of time that they may have belonged to such church &c., is immaterial.
- 3. They must belong to a church &c. To ascertain who belong to a church we must recur to the act of April 5th, 1813, (3d vol. Revised Statutes, p. 292, 1st ed. p. 206 2d ed.) which thus classes them: 1st, who shall have been baptized in the Episcopal Church; or 2d, who shall have been received therein by the rite of confirmation; or 3d, who shall have received the holy communion therein; or 4th, who shall have purchased or hired a seat or pew in such church; or 5th, who have attached themselves to the Protestant Episcopal Church by some joint act of the parties and of the Rector. This may be by a written engagement of the parties, made to the Rector of the church, by which they declare that they do thereby attach themselves to the Protestant Episcopal Church, and by which the Rector declares that he receives and recognizes them as belonging to that church.

II. Previous proceedings, before the meeting is held.—By the act of 1813, a notice must be given that the persons belonging to the church or congregation, will meet at a time and place specified, for the purpose of incorporating themselves, and of electing two wardens and eight vestrymen. This notice must be given in the time of morning service,—on two Sundays previous to the time of meeting. It must be given by the Rector, if there be one: if there be none, by any person belonging to such church or congregation.

It has been usual to insert in the certificate of incorporation, that the notice required by law, was given. But as the statute makes no provision for such a fact being thus certified, it would not be evidence of it. In order to preserve some evidence of that proceeding, it is recommended that the notice of a meeting &c. as above directed, signed by the person who gave it, be preserved, and that an affidavit be endorsed on it to the effect that "the within notice was publicly read in the time of morning service, on Sunday the—day of—and Sunday the—day of—in the year 18—, to the congregation worshipping in the—, in the village [or town.] of—according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church." This affidavit may be sworn to before a judge of any court of record, or a commissioner of deeds. If this affidavit and the notice be on the same sheet of paper with the certificate of incorporation, it will be filed and preserved with it, and may be found of great importance.

III. PROCEEDINGS AT THE MEETING.—If there be a Rector, he is to preside: if there be none, any person belonging to the church. or any other person, may be called to the chair, and preside. It is usual, and will be found convenient to appoint a secretary of the meeting, although the statute does not require it. A well bound blank book should be provided, in which the proceedings may be entered at large, for the purpose of preserving the history of the organization of the church. A form of entering the minutes of this meeting, will be subsequently given. The first business should be to enter in the minutes the names of the persons who attend and are qualified to vote and act. The meeting should then proceed to choose two wardens and eight vestrymen, making ten in the aggregate. There must be neither more nor less than the number prescribed, and the same person cannot be chosen both warden and vestryman. This election may be either by ballot or viva voce upon open nomination, although the former mode is preferable. Two of the members of the meeting should be called on to assist in counting the ballots, so that they may join in the certificate. The names of the persons declared chosen should then be entered in the minutes. The meeting should then proceed to determine on what day of the week, called Easter week, the said offices of church wardens and vestrymen shall thereafter annually cease, and their successors in office be chosen, and this also should be entered in the minutes. The meeting is then to determine the name or title by which such

church or congregation shall be known in law. This being entered in the minutes, they should be signed by the presiding officer, by the secretary, and the two persons who afterwards join in the certificate of incorporation.

If the minutes be thus kept, and any accident should happen to the certificate, or it should prove to be imperfect, or a new one for any cause should become necessary, it can be had without calling another meeting. In the same book the minutes of the subsequent vestry meetings should be entered, and thus a complete record would be preserved.

IV. The certificate of incorporation is then to be made out, signed and sealed, as follows:

#### FORM OF A CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION.

We whose To all whom these presents may concern: names and seals are affixed to this instrument do hereby certify, that on the tenth day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight, the male persons of full age worshipping [in the school house of school district number three, in the town of Manlius, in the county of Onondaga, and State of New York,] or [in the Academy in the village of Norwich, in the county of Chenango,] or sin the Court House in the town of Lockport, in the county of Niagara,] or [in their house of public worship, in the town of Angelica, in the county of Alleghany, called St. John's Church, or [any other place, as the fact may be,] in which congregation divine worship is celebrated according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York, and which is not already incorporated, met at their place of worship aforesaid for the purpose of incorporating themselves as a religious society, under the acts of the legislature of the state of New York, and in pursuance of notice duly given to the said congregation, in the time of morning service on two Sundays previous to such meeting, that the male persons of full age belonging to said congregation would meet at the time and place aforesaid for the purpose of incorporating themselves, and of electing two church wardens and eight vestrymen; and we further certify that [the Rev. John Knox, being Rector of said church, presided at the said meeting,] or, if there be no Rector, [there being no Rector of the said congregation, or church, the undersigned, William Thomas, was by a majority of the said persons so met, called to the chair, and presided at the said meeting,] and we further certify that at the said meeting, I homas Jones and William Thomas were duly elected church wardens of the said congregation and church, and James Scott, &c., [naming eight persons] were duly elected vestrymen: That Tuesday [or whatever day was selected] in Easter Week, was by the said meeting fixed on as the day on which the said offices of church wardens and vestrymen should annually thereafter cease, and their successors in office be chosen; and that the said meeting determined and declared that the said church and congregation should be known in the law by the name of "The Rector, Church Wardens, and Vestrymen of St. John's Church, in the town of Manlius, in the county of Onondaga."

In TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, the said [John Knox,] or [William Thomas] who presided at the said election of Wardens and Vestrymen, and Thomas Stiles and Jacob Faithful, who were present and witnessed the proceedings aforesaid, have hereunto subscribed our names, and affixed our seals, this tenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight.

Signed and sealed in the presence of JAMES STONE,
THOMAS CHURCHMAN. WILLIAM THOMAS,
[with a seal attack]
THOMAS STILES,

[Some persons other than those who signed the certificate.]

[with a seal attack of the seal attack of the certificate.]

WILLIAM THOMAS,

[with a seal attached.]
THOMAS STILES,

[with a seal attached.]
JACOB FAITHFUL,

[with a seal attached.]

V. This certificate must be proved by one of the subscribing witnesses before the Chancellor, or a Judge of the Supreme Court, or a Judge of the court of Common Pleas of the County, in which the place of worship is situated; or it must be acknowledged by all the persons who signed it, before one of those officers. Neither a Circuit Judge, a Supreme Court Commissioner, nor a Commissioner of Deeds, nor any other officer than those above enumerated, can take the proof or acknowledgment.

# Form of a Certificate of PROOF by a subscribing witness, to be endorsed on the Certificate of incorporation.

Onondaga County, ss. Seleventh day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight, before me, the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the said county of Onondaga, personally appeared James Stone, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he saw William Thomas, Thomas Stiles, and Jacob Faithful, sign and seal the within instrument on the day of the date thereof; that the said persons were to him personally known to be the same individuals described in, and who executed the said instrument; that he was a subscribing witness to the execution of the same, and that he resides in the town of Manlius, in the county of Onondaga. And I further certify that the said James Stone, is to me personally known to be the same individual who was a subscribing witness to the execution of the said instrument. [In case the witness is not personally known to the offi-

cer, the following should be substituted for the last clause; And I further certify that the said James Stone was to me satisfactorily proved by the oath of William Adams residing in the said town of Manlius, to be the same individual who was a subscribing witness to the execution of the said instrument.]

Form of a Certificate of ACKNOWLEDGMENT, by persons signing the Certificate.

STATE OF NEW YORK, It is hereby certified that on this eleventh Onondaga County, ss. 5 day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight, William Thomas, I homas Stiles, and Jacob Faithful, appeared before me, the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the county of Onondaga, and severally acknowledged that they had respectively signed and sealed the within instrument; And I further certify that the said persons who made the said acknowledgement, are to me personally known to be the same individuals described in and who executed the said instrument. [In case the persons are not known to the officer, the following should be substituted for the last clause: And I further certify that at the same time James Stone, residing in the said town of Manlius, appeared personally before me, and being by me duly sworn, deposed that he knew the said several persons, who made the said acknowledgment, personally, to be the same individuals described in and who executed the said instrument.]

VI. The certificate being thus executed, and proved or acknowledged, is to be presented to the clerk of the County, and RECORDED by him. The corporation dates its existence from the recording, which is therefore indispensible. A certified copy, under the seal of the County Clerk, of the certificate of incorporation; or the original certificate with an endorsement thereon by the County Clerk of the fact of its having been recorded, is then to be presented to the Bishop of the Diocese for his approbation. That being endorsed by him, the certificate is to be presented to the Convention, that it

may receive into union with it, the Church so incorporated.

REMARKS.—The reasons for the directions and forms above given, could not be assigned without occupying too much space. They have been prepared with great care, and if faithfully followed, the incorporation will be perfect, and applicants for admission into union with the Convention, will not be so often disappointed, nor so frequently put to the trouble of re-incorporating themselves, as they have heretofore been, in consequence of neglecting the published forms.

The journals of the Convention of the diocese of the State of New York exhibit many singular instances of perverse and wanton departure from the words of the statute, and the plain directions of the forms given. In two cases, one of the signers of the certificates was a subscribing witness, and they were rejected for that reason.

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It may be proper to observe that the variations in the above form of a certificate, from that appended to the journals of the Convention of New York, are all deliberately made, for reasons that will be apparent to the professional reader. As to one variation, that of omitting to state that persons were nominated by the meeting to certify its proceedings, in conjunction with the presiding officer, it may be proper to remark that no such nomination is required by the statute, and that while its insertion would unnecessarily encumber the certificate, it has been found that it misled and caused error.

The following form of MINUTES of the first meeting of a society to organize and incorporate themselves, is given, in the hope of promoting the convenience of our Congregations.

Manlius, Onondaga County, Nov. 10, 1838.

On this day, the following persons, of full age, belonging to the Church and Congregation, worshipping in the Academy, in the said town, (or in their house of public worship in the said town, called St. John's Church,) in which divine worship is celebrated according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the state of New York, met together at their said place of worship, pursuant to notice duly given in the time of morning service, on two Sundays previous thereto, for the purpose of incorporating themselves as a religious society under the acts of the Legislature of the state of New York. [Here insert the names of the persons present.] The Rev. John Knox, being Rector of the said church and congregation, was called to the Chair and presided, [or there being no Rector of the said Church, William Thomas, was by a majority of said persons called to the Chair, and chosen to preside over the said meeting,] and William Adams, was appointed Secretary thereof. The notice calling the said meeting was then read in the following words: hereby given, &c." (copying it.) It was then on motion resolved, that the persons here present do proceed to incorporate themselves as a religious society in communion with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and that the said church and congregation be known in Law by the name and title of "The Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen of St. John's Church in the town of Manlius in the County of Onondaga."

The said meeting then proceeded on motion to choose two Church Wardens, and eight Vestrymen of the said Church, when the following persons were duly elected: William Thomas, and Thomas Jones, Church Wardens; James Scott &c. (naming seven others) Vestrymen.

On motion it was then Resolved, That Tuesday in Easter Week be fixed on as the day on which the said offices of Church Wardens and Vestrymen shall annually hereafter cease, and their successors in office be chosen.

A certificate of incorporation having been prepared, was presented, containing the above proceedings, which was signed by the Chairman of this meeting, and by Thomas Stiles, and Jacob Faithful, and was witnessed by James Stone, and Thomas Churchman, and the said James Stone was requested to prove the due execution of the same, and cause it to be recorded by the County Clerk.

[Signed.] WILLIAM THOMAS, Ch'n.

WILLIAM ADAMS, Sec'ry.

And also by THOMAS STILES, JACOB FAITHFUL.

# APPENDIX.

#### No. V.

CHURCH ADMITTED INTO UNION AT THIS CONVENTION.

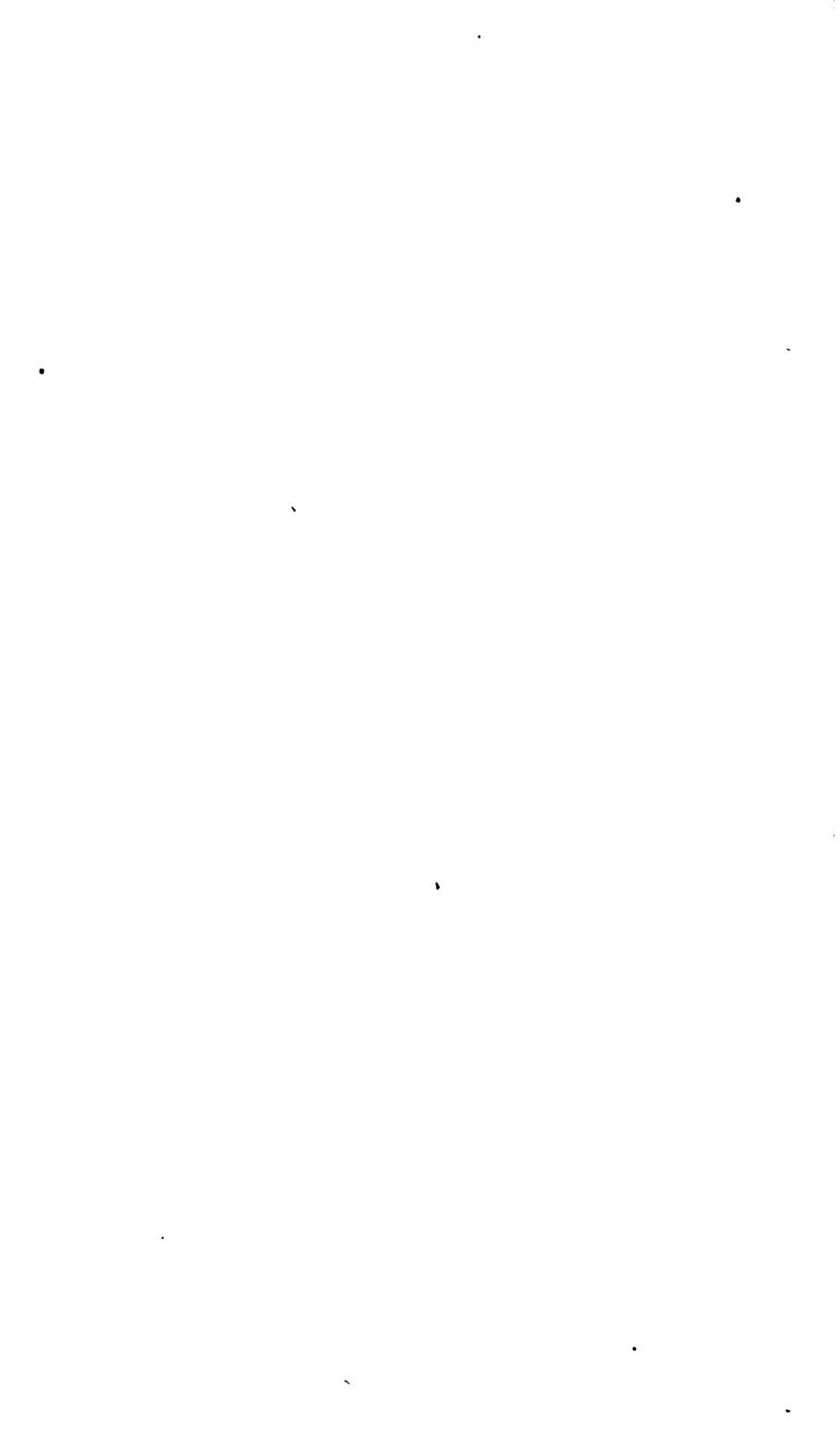
Monroe County,..... Brockport, ......St. Luke's.

#### ERRATA.

On page 7, add to the list of Clergymen entitled to seats, but not present at the Convention, the following, viz:

Rev. George B. Engle.

- " Isaac Garvin.
- " Henry Gregory.
- " Humphrey Hollis.
- " Nathaniel Huse.
- " James Keeler.



# THE EDIFYING OF THE CHURCH.

A

# SERMON

PREACHED IN TRINITY CHURCH, GENEVA, ONTARIO COUNTY, NEW-YORK;

AT THE OPENING OF THE

## PRIMARY CONVENTION

OF THE

# DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW-YORK,

ON THE

FESTIVAL OF ALL-SAINTS,

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1838.

BY BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK, D. D.,

ELFHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF NEW-TORK, AND PROFESSOR OF THE NATURE, MINISTRY, AND POLITY OF THE CHURCH, IN THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

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## DEDICATION.

To my respected and beloved Brethren, the Clerical and Lay Members of the Primary Convention of the Diocese of Western New-York.

To none, dear brethren, with more propriety than yourselves, can I dedicate this humble effort to serve your interesting diocese, and the cause of our divine Lord, and of His holy church. Before you were capable of acting in an organized capacity, a number of you as individuals, and other friends and brethren of your diocese, conveyed to me the flattering and gratifying request, that I would open your primary convention with a sermon, and the administration of the Lord's supper. In pursuance of this kind and affectionate request, this discourse was written, under all the necessary disadvantages, however, of being prepared only at intervals, during an extensive and laborious visitation. This fact calls for indulgence, for any marks of haste which its style may evince. You were, however, so good, as unanimously to request its publication. I saw not how I could decline the request, notwithstanding the necessity of throwing myself on the indulgence referred to.

The resolution requesting the publication of the sermon, was far from being the only one which passed your convention, indicative of your great kindness and

affectionate regard. The Journal of that body bears testimony, which, I assure you, goes home to my heart, of the lenient and christian spirit with which you have received my imperfect ministrations among you. The promptness with which you were pleased to place your diocese under my provisional charge, is a fact which speaks with peculiar emphasis; and the sentiments of affectionate attachment contained in your other resolutions, strengthen your claim upon my lasting gratitude and love. This is true of those resolutions which have a personal bearing. It is more especially so of that which refers to my principles, and the policy which I have deemed it my duty to pursue in my official course. Here, brethren, you touched what are dear to me as the apple of my eye. Those principles and that policy have not ripened into the full maturity with which they are embraced by my understanding, and enshrined in my affections, without much study, long and deep reflection, earnest prayer, and no very limited range of observation of their bearings, their tendencies, and their results. I should not cherish them as I do, nor should I so earnestly commend them to the careful attention, and the practical adoption of your diocese, were I not fully persuaded that they are of God. Devoutly praying that this sermon may be an humble instrument in their favour, I affectionately dedicate it to you; and commending you to the blessings of God's providence and grace, am,

Dear Brethren,

Your devotedly attached friend and pastor,
Benj. T. Onderdonk.

### SERMON.

"The edifying of the body of Christ."—EPHESIANS, iv. 12.

This, St. Paul here declares to be the purpose for which the gospel ministry was appointed. The expression is a clear indication of the doctrine, obvious throughout the New Testament, that the edification, whether in soundness of faith, in genuineness of piety, or in purity of morals, whereby the functions of the ministers of Jesus are to promote the real welfare of men in their individual, as well as every social capacity, is appointed to be enjoyed through the medium of the body or church of Christ; and consequently that this body must be kept sound, pure, and efficient, and be made to extend its holy influences over our characters and lives, and over every department of man's intercourse with his fellows, if the spiritual, temporal, and eternal blessings of the gospel are to be enjoyed in the divinely constituted way.

On no occasion, brethren, can these fundamental principles be more naturally, or more profitably considered, than when the ministers and members of that church come to take counsel together for the due ordering of its concerns, for the promotion of its welfare, and the enlarging of its holy operations and influences.

Having had expressed to me from all parts of the new and interesting diocese this day commencing its existence, the desire of my beloved brethren, its clergy and laity, that I should be present with them, and open the proceedings of their first convention, with the sermon usual on such occasions, I knew not how to select a more fitting theme, than that presented to our view by the text, "The edifying of the body of Christ." This, of course, is the great object we should have before us, in all ecclesiastical assemblies and proceedings. Nor can my heart cherish a desire, nor raise to God a prayer, for you, my brethren, the

members of this convention, more in unison with the momentous responsibilities you are now about to assume, and with the feelings naturally associated with the holy relation which has heretofore existed between us, than that the principles, views, and operations, with which you now commence your distinct diocesan career, may be solely governed by a desire to promote the edifying of the body of Christ, its growth, strength, unity, good order, purity, and efficiency, as a body, and the nourishing and cherishing of its members individually, in holiness here, and to everlasting happiness hereafter. To these blessed ends, be sacrificed every counter feeling, motive, and object; and merging all temporal, individual, local, and other partial considerations, in those which look directly to the glory of God, the good of his church, and the spiritual and eternal welfare of his people, give now your solicitous attention, with prayer for his guidance and aid therein, to such a modelling of your incipient diocesan measures, as may give them the impress of that fidelity, in the views that govern them, the motives that urge to them, and their own character, to the one cause of Christ and his church, which will afford to your brethren in all parts of our land, whose affectionate solicitous regards are now turned towards you, the earnest of an efficient agent, in this new and important diocese, in extending the blessed influences of the cause of Christ—the soundness of the faith—the genuineness of the piety, and purity of the morals, of his holy gospel, in their divinely appointed connection with the unity, good order, and prosperity of his church.

In an humble and affectionate endeavour to be a co-worker with you in so good a purpose, I propose, as our present subject, the edifying of the body or church of Christ.

I do not design entering much into details; but rather calling your attention to some general considerations, which both clergy and laity should continually keep in practical regard, if they would the most truly promote this great end, on the pure principles of the gospel. My reverend brethren will perceive, that the primary application of the subject will be to them. The laity also, however, possess in it a deep interest; inasmuch as it is of the utmost importance that they should be aware of the

nature, and consequent claims, of the religion and church in whose cause, and not that of any merely temporal or worldly object, they are enlisted, when engaged in any department of their ecclesiastical duties and responsibilities.

The remarks which I have to make, I purpose dividing under the three heads of Gospel Faith, Gospel Order, and Gospel Piety.

In order that the body or church of Christ may be truly edified, those who would be agents to so blessed an end, must give good heed to a practical consideration of various important principles under each of these heads.

With respect to gospel faith, you need not, brethren, that I remind you that the Holy Scriptures only are the source whence it is to be drawn. It is a part, however, of the moral discipline to which our heavenly Father would subject us, that the precepts of his Holy Word, touching both doctrine and practice, are not given in any systematic summary, but are scattered throughout its inspired pages, and to be found in every variety of direct teaching, allegorical enforcement and illustration, historical and biographical narrative, and devotional exercise. Effort, therefore, is to be made, in order to the obtaining of a correct practical view of the full bearing of Holy Writ, on both the faith which we are to cherish, and the religious and moral obedience that we are to render. Consequently, a leading means of religious edification is a constant, careful, thorough study of the Scriptures. They must be well understood in the languages in which they were originally indited; and a correct knowledge should be had of the various connected circumstances of history, geography, customs, governments, and the like, as also of the bearings on their contents of the several departments of natural science.

Let not this view be thought to encumber with too great difficulties the acquisition of that religious knowledge, whereby men are to be built up in the true faith of the gospel, and guided aright in the practice of its holy precepts. The gospel was intended for man, as a being possessed of extensive intellectual and moral powers, and required to consecrate them to holy purposes, and bring them all into subserviency to his spiritual interests. The labour necessary in order to the accomplishing of this end, is but what it is reasonable to suppose would be required of such a being as man; the powers of whose mind we cannot imagine to have been given for merely temporal purposes, or to be spent on even the highest and most refined of those objects which have to do merely with his state and being here. It is in harmony with all just apprehensions of divine wisdom, as well as with right views of the true dignity and welfare of an intelligent creature, that a religion designed for the latter, should be such as to call into exercise his intellectual and moral powers, and enlist in its behalf their best and highest operations. Thus, that religion becomes a fitting probation for a moral agent, and under the sanctifying influences of divine grace, a mean of advancement towards that perfection of intellect which, in heaven, will fill every faculty of the soul with knowing, not in part, but even as also we are known, and seeing, not as through a glass darkly, but face to face.

Thus, brethren, if we would promote the true edification of the church, we must cultivate an habitual, close, and extensive study of Holy Scripture, carefully comparing and combining its several parts, and giving good heed to whatever may in any way help to a right understanding of the same.

If it be asked, whether this process of study and investigation is to be expected of every Christian; the answer is obvious, that this cannot be. All are by no means so situated as to allow of it. But all may derive the benefit of it, if it be duly attended to by the church. It is clearly revealed as one of the objects mercifully had in view by our heavenly Father for our good, in the establishment of his ministry, that there may thus be an order of men separated from the various worldly pursuits, in which lie the paths of ordinary duty and usefulness, and devoted to those acquisitions in divine knowledge, whence is to flow that instruction which is to enlighten the world in spiritual things, and give right guidance to those spiritual inquiries, studies, and investigations, for which all, in whatever station of life, have opportunities allowed them by the great and good Disposer of events.

Let it not be objected, that this view of the subject favours

a humiliating dependence of the common Christian mind, on the guidance and control of that which has better opportunities of study and research. It is in perfect analogy with all God's dealings with our race, that in every department of knowledge there should be a direction given by the greater to the less informed in the principles on which it rests. This, however, by no means involves the necessity of the sacrifice, by the latter, of intellectual and moral action or responsibility. Views and principles deduced by great labour and research may, by the judicious explication of them, be rendered altogether clear and intelligible; and their reception be thus, not the implicit surrendering of judgment, but the yielding of its enlightened and spontaneous consent.

From such principles we deduce the important conclusion, that in order to the true edifying of the church, there must be, in its ministry, that laborious research into the revealed doctrines of the gospel, and that diligent direction of the understanding to a thorough investigation of all their legitimate bearings, connections, and consequences, which, under the faithfully sought direction, illumination, and guidance of the Holy Ghost, may enable their lips to keep that knowledge, whence the people may successfully seek wisdom unto salvation.

Among the aids to be used in order to this end, the wise and good, in all periods of Christianity, since its first ages, have been wont to look, with reverent regard and pious confidence, to the generally received opinions of the church in those ages, upon the obviously sound and proper principle, that pending the hallowed influences immediately flowing from the personal ministry of Christ and his Apostles, and of the great and good men whom the Apostles deemed meet to be put in charge of the ministry of the gospel, there cannot be reasonably expected to be found any important error incorporated into the Christian system, as generally received and followed. Very diligently, then, and carefully, should the remains of those ancient times be studied by all who would be rightly guided in their search for that truth, which God has appointed to be sought by a thorough investigation of the true meaning of His inspired word.

And next to the direct study of primitive Christian antiquity, may be ranked devout and careful heed to that teaching, which has come down to us from those pure ages, through the testimony of the Catholic Church.

It is an interesting fact in sacred history, illustrative of the kind dealings and watchful guardianship towards His church, of God's providence and grace, that when the monstrous mass of heresy, superstition, and ungodliness, which departure from primitive truth and order gathered around the church, alarmed its friends, and bid them nerve their hearts, and rouse their energies for thorough reformation, they found amid this mass the holy and uncorrupted truth of God. It had been shut out, it is true, for ages, from the view of men; but there it was; and in that portion of His earth which subsequent developments show to have been chosen in the wise counsels of Jehovah, for efficiency in intellectual, moral, and spiritual benefit to man, far exceeding that of all the rest, this truth of God, separated from the unholy alloy with which it had been mingled, was embodied into that ecclesiastical system which, in all its essential parts, and many of its most valuable circumstantial features, has been extended to us.

The standard of doctrine afforded by that Liturgy, which we have derived from the Church of England, had not its origin at the Reformation, or any other period more recent than that Christian antiquity, which all well thinking Christians deem worthy of their most reverent regard, as illustrating the genuine influence of evangelical principles.

I would be understood as applying the term standard of doctrine emphatically to our Liturgy; and affectionately and earnestly recommending to my brethren of the clergy and laity, the close study of that inestimable volume, with a view to its exhibitions, illustrations, and enforcing of evangelical doctrine, on the great principles, and practical details, of Christian truth and duty. In this view of it, the Liturgy is favourably distinguished from other documents, which are also a part of our publicly avowed and adopted standards. I refer to the Articles and Homilies. These are not, like the Liturgy, summaries, that have come down to us from pure antiquity, and thus, channels which

have borne the profession and illustration of the truth as it is in Jesus, to these our days, from those of inspired men, and of those who were taught by them, and of those who lived while yet the holy influences of the personal ministry of these still lingered in the church. They were drawn up at a period of much theological discussion; when divines were much swayed by the influence of imposing systems; when the combatting of Popish and Protestant errors gave a professed controversial form to the greater part of what they preached and wrote; and when, consequently, much of technicality of expression, and not a little of metaphysical nicety of argument, and no small influence of the tendency of the human mind, when combatting one extreme, to run very near the borders of another, presented a marked contrast to the simplicity which so eminently characterizes the scriptural and primitive exhibitions and elucidations of inspired truth, with which the Liturgy is fraught.

I should be much misunderstood if thought to desire to depreciate the Articles and Homilies, as valuable portions of our standards of Christian doctrine; but it is my desire, brethren, to present the Liturgy to your regard, as decidedly superior to them both, as such standard. The design, of course, of the Articles and Homilies, is to present and illustrate Christian truth. This is also, of course, a primary object of the Liturgy; with this important distinction, that the latter, embodying this truth in formularies, existing long before the Articles and Homilies were written, incorporates it with the principles and affections drawn into exercise in our solemn approaches to the throne of grace, and carries it to the foot of that throne, in direct addresses to the high and lofty One, who sits thereon.

Here, then, we have a most serious and responsible practical use of the principles which the Articles and Homilies would enforce, and to which they would be subservient. We have their holy contents, divested of the controversial form in which they present them, and of the technicalities of expression and of argument which this form rendered unavoidable, and presented in that simple appeal to correct feeling and devout affection, which bring it to so near an assimilation to Holy Writ. The Articles and Homilies were intended as a handmaid to the Liturgy; and

as such, should be received and used. Like all other human compilations, they have among them various points of uncertain meaning and bearing; and many that can be correctly understood only with a reference to the peculiarity of circumstances under which they were framed. Of one thing, however, we may rest well assured. They were never designed to be aught at variance from the Liturgy. The Liturgy, therefore, should be the rule of judging of them; and whenever there is an apparent discrepancy, it should have our unhesitating preference.

My reverend brethren will appreciate the bearing of these remarks, on the great duty of the edifying of the church, which I would affectionately urge upon their faithful and solicitous attention. And to the intelligent laity before me, I would commend the serious study of the Liturgy, as one of their best helps to a right understanding of God's Holy Word.

Before entering on the second head proposed, gospel order, I wish to notice one view of gospel doctrine, which is not unfrequently blended in estimation with mere questions of order. I mean what may be termed the doctrine of the gospel ministry. It may be thus succinctly stated in its general bearing.

Salvation is the free gift of God, extended to men, in its promise in this life, and its glorious consummation in the next, through the merits of our Lord Jesus Christ. Those merits are appointed to be available to us through means and conditions to be performed by us in faith, in the exercise of ability derived from the Holy Ghost. These means and conditions embrace certain religious duties, in the discharge of which, we are to avail ourselves of the functions of men appointed to serve in the ministry of Christ. The persons appertaining to that ministry, are distinguished from their fellow-men, by a commission to that end. Consequently all men are not ministers; but those only who hold that commission. Christ has, of course, established a way in which that commission is to be imparted and preserved, and in which, therefore, men are to have access to the required performance of the means and conditions appointed for their sanctification and salvation. This constituted mode of extending and perpetuating the functions of the Christian ministry, is therefore incorporated into the system of evangelical doctrine.

a part of what we are to believe, in order that we may have the true Christian faith. However connected with this point may be that of ecclesiastical order and polity, the connection is not essential. The spiritual functions of the ministry, in their divinely appointed connection with the means of grace and salvation, may continue through all modifications of church government, and even in the departure herein from what Holy Scripture and ancient authors represent to have been, from the first, retained as having had the appointment and sanction of Christ and his Apostles. The question, in its most important character and bearing, is, not what ministers did Christ appoint to govern his church; but whom did he appoint with authority to convey the ministerial functions?

It is not necessary for the present purpose, to defend, or even exhibit, the process of proof by which our standards arrive at the conclusion that, according to Christ's appointment, authority to exercise the functions of his ministry must be derived from the first of the three orders in which he constituted that ministry; which chief order, existing originally in the persons of the Apostles, and by them communicated to their companions and successors, who ordained others to the same grade, has thus been handed down to our day, furnishing that channel of ministerial ordination through which only authority can be received for the lawful exercise of the ministerial functions.

This summary of the teaching of our standards on this important point, contains what may be termed the doctrine of episcopacy. It is to be distinguished from the view of episcopacy as a mere form of government; and is that view of it which raises it to the important rank of an essential of the Christian church, as Christ established it, and as it is our duty to regard and embrace it. It constitutes a distinction from the sects around us, not in a mere matter of external order, and consequent comparative unimportance; but in a point conscientiously deemed to be an integral part of that gospel religion which we are bound to receive in such wise as it is set forth in Holy Writ. The edification of the church, therefore, in the full system of evangelical faith, requires that due attention be given to this doctrine of the ministry.

The thorough embracing of this doctrine, with an especial reference to its bearing on the essential point of Christian unity, is intimately connected with giving their merited attention to the variety of particulars connected with the important subject of gospel order.

The ministry is a divinely constituted bond of Christian unity, which man may not dissolve nor weaken. It is the appointed medium through which communion is to be maintained with the Father of Spirits, and the soul be fitted, by the divine blessing on its functions, through the sanctifying influences of the living faith of the gospel, for the end of that faith, even its everlasting sal-In all, therefore, that we do for the promotion of this great end, in reference both to ourselves and our fellow-men, we should have respect unto the ministry of Christ; humbly and faithfully seeking its holy functions in our own behalf, and striving, in all proper and practicable ways, to extend them to The order in which God has connected the spreading of his religion, and the advancement of his people through holiness here to everlasting happiness hereafter, with the services of his ministry, should not be infringed by us; but we should in all things recognise the union established by him between that ministry, and the promoting of his glory, and of the spiritual and eternal interests of his people.

The divinely ordered ministry thus constituting an essential bond by which Christians should labour together, for their own and others' edification and salvation, they should also give due heed to all those well ordered arrangements, whereby the functions of the ministry may be facilitated, and rendered the more effectual, in the accomplishment of their high and holy purposes. And it is but an appeal to the modest and deferential principles, which are a part of the character of the truly good man, to add, that humble regard should be paid to the decisions herein of the constituted authorities of the church. Their prescriptions for the due and orderly exercise of ministerial functions should be conscientiously observed, and made the rule of operation in all efforts to extend more widely the blessed influences of those functions. And for as much as the inherent value and binding obligation of the essential principles of our holy faith, give proportioned impor-

tance to all minor prescriptions which tend to their preservation in their integrity, and to the more effectual securing of their favourable influences, this importance should be duly estimated, and allowed its full bearing on all principles and operations connected with the discharge of the religious duties of the members of the church, and with their efforts to extend its borders.

In the practical application of this principle, we should mete the value and importance of the various prescriptions of the church for the due ordering of the functions of the ministry, not only by their inherent excellence and usefulness, but also in their connection each with the whole—with a well ordered system and aggregate of means of influence and usefulness, of commending religion to favourable regard, and of winning for it the approval of the judgment, the interest of the sensibilities, and the cordial adoption of the affections.

The Christian minister or Christian man, who has grace to look beyond mere forms to the truths which they embody, the spirit which they are wont to foster, and the holy practical influences which they may exert, will not be driven by all the misapprehension or misrepresentation which it may engender, from devout attachment, for conscience sake, to the holy provisions of the church for the due ordering of divine things, and from the constant and even solicitous conformity therewith of his own attention to those things, and his efforts for bringing them to the notice and practical regard of his fellow-men. The solemn obligation to this end, which every minister assumes on entering on his holy functions, cannot, in propriety, be viewed either as an arbitrary requirement of the church, or a mere politic device for giving unity and efficiency to a sect; but as an important means of securing fidelity to those high interests of the evangelical system, which God has committed to the charge of his holy ministry.

But, brethren, there is a great practical end to which all these considerations should lead, and to which they will lead, if they are duly governed and controlled by evangelical principles and views. It is an end inseparably connected with the true happiness and welfare of our race, and which, addressing itself to each one's individual conscience, would direct, control, and stamp with its own impress, each one's character and life. This end is gospel piety,—edification in which is the great object of all faith, and of all the rules and measures whereby the due order of the church is to be sustained.

In forming our estimate of gospel piety, we must adopt uncompromisingly the gospel requisitions, touching alike the principles, views, and motives that should govern us, and the religious and moral precepts to which we should yield obedience. True piety, we should bear in mind, has its seat in the heart. Its affections, dispositions, tempers, and passions, must be purified, and rightly directed, and thoroughly controlled, by the renewing and sanctifying influences of the Holy Spirit.

Disinterestedness is a cardinal trait of gospel piety. It must merge all selfish considerations in the one absorbing view of promoting the glory of God, the great interests of the gospel, the good of fellow-men, and the welfare, in time and through eternity, of one's own soul.

True piety knows no other rule of action, than implicit obedience to the will of God; whether that will requires the right governing of the heart, humble belief of the truths of God's word, the discharge of moral duties, or the observance of religious rites and exercises.

True gospel faith lies at the foundation of genuine piety; and this is a willing surrendry, both of the intellect to the reception, and of the affections to the adopting, of the principles and truths revealed from heaven.

These, brethren, are the great outlines of that gospel piety which the ministers of Jesus must explain, urge, and enforce, if they would truly edify the body of Christ; and which the members of His church must adopt, as the perpetual guide of their characters and lives, if they would experience that edification which will give them the true enjoyment of their religion here, and prepare them, through Christ's merits, for its blessed rewards hereafter.

Beloved brethren, the members of this convention, I have endeavoured to suggest to you, with all plainness, certain principles and views connected with a just appreciation, and the due influence, of gospel doctrine, gospel order, and gospel piety. Let

me affectionately exhort you to remember that the advancement of these is the great object which you should ever have in view, in all the deliberations and acts of the ecclesiastical organization this day to be formed. May God give you grace so effectually to remember this, that in the good spirit, the pious designs, and the well ordered proceedings, of this Primary Convention, you may establish such a precedent for your own following, and that of your successors in all future time, as they should establish who have the fear of God before their eyes; who remember that His glory, the interests of His kingdom, and the spiritual and eternal welfare of themselves and their fellow-men, are deeply concerned; and who give its due import to the tremendous responsibility thus lying upon them.

When I look back to the wonderful guidance which we have had from the good hand of our God, through all the measures connected with the great revolution in the diocese of New-York, which is this day to be consummated, and consider how, by the restraining and controlling influences of His grace, we have been carried through difference of feeling, of views, of wishes, and even of principle, with so much Christian spirit, and in a manner so indicative of influences over us, which never could have had their origin in the frail and fallen mind of man, my first emotion is one connected with scriptural precept, "Rejoice with trembling."

We are hereby involved in a responsibility, that should fill us with the deepest concern, lest we fail in duly laying to heart and improving the call thus given us for suitable returns of gratitude and love, such as will appear in our lives, in what we are and what we do, as individual Christians, and in our counsels and acts as associated members of the church. God grant us all His grace duly to improve His inestimable blessings! And may that grace, dear brethren, be especially vouchsafed to you, in the fulfilment of the momentous trust about to devolve upon you, as one of the largest and most influential councils of our portion of the Catholic Church.

And now that my pastoral relation to you has ceased, and I probably see many of you for the last time in this world, my heart dictates more than my tongue can speak. The recollec-

tion of the hours spent with you and your beloved families, will always keep alive in my breast the most tenderly grateful sense of the incessant tokens of your kindness and affection. But there will also be a mournful accompaniment—an unfeigned consciousness of my having fallen far short of what I should have done for your spiritual and eternal good. Pray ye to God for me, brethren, that this may not be laid to my charge; and O, let me not be mistaken in the hope of your giving me full credit for the most heartfelt sincerity, and let me beg you to convey to your families assurances of the sincerity with which I commend you all unto God's gracious mercy and protection. The Lord bless you and keep you! The Lord make His face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you! The Lord lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace, both now and evermore!



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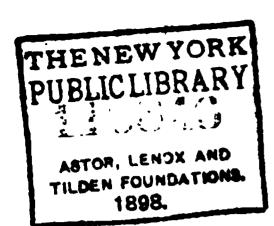
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## AUBURN, STH MAY, 1889.

This being the day named by the Acting Bishop of the diocese for the meeting of a Special Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western New York, the Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., Acting Bishop of the diocese, with a large number of the Clergy and Laity, assembled at 10 o'clock A. M., in St. Peter's Church, in the village of Auburn.

Morning prayers were read by the Rev. Bethel Judd, D. D., assisted by the Rev. Amos C. Treadway, who read the lessons; and the sermon was preached by the Rt. Rev. H. U. Onderdonk, D. D., of the diocese of Pennsylvania.

The convention having been called to order by the Acting Bishop, it was, on motion of the Rev. P. A. Proal,

Resolved, That the Right Rev. the Presiding Bishop, and the other Right Rev. Bishops in attendance upon the consecration, with the Bishop Elect, be invited to the sittings of this convention with the President thereof; and that seats be provided for them within the rails of the chancel.

The following Bishops, under the above resolution, were present during the session of the convention: Rt. Rev. A. V. Griswold, D. D., of the Eastern Diocese; Rt. Rev. H. U. Onderdonk, D. D., of the diocese of Pennsylvania; and the Rt. Rev. G. W. Doane, D. D., of the diocese of New Jersey; together with the Rev. W. H. De Lancey, D. D., Bishop Elect.

The Secretary then proceeded, under the direction of the Acting Bishop, to call the names of such of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the diocese of Western New York, as by the

constitution are entitled to seats in the convention; when the following gentlemen answered to their names and took their seats as members, viz:

Rt. Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., Acting Bishop, the Rev. William Allanson, Henry S. Attwater, Amos G. Baldwin, Seth W. Beardsley, James A. Bolles, Wm. W. Bostwick, Johnson A. Brayton, Nathan B. Burgess, Clement M. Butler, Lucius Carter, Joseph T. Clark, Ebenezer H. Cressey, William E. Eigenbrodt, George B. Engle, Benjamin Hale, D. D., Cicero S. Hawks, Humphrey Hollis, Pierre P. Irving, Bethel Judd, D. D., William Lucas, John McCarty, Stephen McHugh, Thomas Meachem, Frederick Metcalf, Beardsley Northrup, George Ogle, Augustin P. Prevost, Pierre A. Proal, Ferdinand Rogers, John C. Rudd, D. D., William Shelton, D. D., Lucius Smith, Richard Smith, Erastus Spalding, Henry L. Storrs, Amos C. Treadway, Washington Van Zandt, Nathaniel Watkins, Russel Wheeler, Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., Marshal Whiting, Lloyd Windsor, Gordon Winslow.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Shelton and the Rev. Lucius Smith, under the third Rule of Order, to examine, with the Secretary, the certificates of Lay Delegates.

It was then, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Proal,

Resolved. That the Convention adjourn to meet again at three o'clock this afternoon.

Whereupon the house took a recess until three o'clock.

# Wednesday Afternoon, 3 o'clock.

The convention reassembled.

The churches of the diocese were then called in order, when the following gentlemen appeared as Lay delegates, and took their seats, viz:

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.
Alleghany	St. Mark's, Hunts' Hollow	.Edmund Palmer,
		Sanford Hunt.
Cayuga	St. Peter's, Auburn	.H. Burt,
	•	Geo. H. Wood,
		Charles B. Perry.
;	St. Paul's, Aurora	
		John L. Cuyler,
·	•	John E. Williams.
1	St. Matthew's, Moravia	. Dudley Loomis,
•	•	Ebenezer Smith,
		Leenard O. Aikin.
Chemung	Trinity, Elmira	.H. Luce,
•		S. H. Maxwell,
		S. E. Sweatland.

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.
Chemung	Trinity, Elmira	I. Conklin,
_	•	A. Hess.
	St. John's, Johnson's Settlement	Irad Beardsley.
Chenango	.St. Andrew's, New Berlin	
6	Christ, Sherburne	
Cortland	. Calvary, Homer	
		M. B. Butterfield,
		Horace White,
		William Andross,
		A. T. Dodge,
	•	J. C. Marvin.
Erie	.St. Paul's, Buffalo	
		Gustavus Denison.
Genesee	.St. James', Batavia	
	, <u> </u>	Heman J. Redfield.
Jefferson	.St. Paul's, Brownville	
	Zion, Pierrepont Manor	
	Trinity, Watertown	
Livingston	.St. Michael's, Goneseo	_
	St. John's, Mount Morris	David A. Miller.
		Hiram Hunt.
Madison	.St. Thomas', Hamilton	
	.St. Luke's, Rochester	
	•	Jonathan Child,
		John Hawks,
		Matthew Mead,
		George Arnold.
Niagara	.Christ, Lockport	
	.St. Paul's, Holland Patent	
	Grace, Utica	
		Eli Maynard.
	Trinity, Utica	
	•	Elisha Wells,
		Chester Griswold.
Onondaga	.Trinity, Fayetteville	. Adna Treat,
•		David L. Farnham,
•	•	James Mead.
	Apostolic, Geddes	Elisha Marsh.
	St. Mark's, Jamesville	-
		Elijah C. Rust.
	Christ, Pompey	
	Christ, Manlius	
		Robert Gilmore,
		J. V. H. Clark.
	St. John's, Marcellus	.Gad Curtis,
		Asaph Gaylord.

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.
Onondaga	.Zion, Onondaga	Jonas Earll, Jr.
· ·	St. James', Skaneateles	
	•	William Gibbs.
	St. Paul's, Syracuse	William A. Cook,
	•	Wm. Jackson,
		Charles B. Hargin,
		Levi Chapman.
	Grace, Baldwinsville	
Ontario	St.John's, Canandaigua	
	_	W. S. Philpot,
		Charles Seymour.
	Trinity, Geneva	
		David Hudson.
	St. John's, Phelps	
_		John H. Swift.
Oswego	.Christ, Oswego	
		Daniel H. Marsh,
		Charles H. Hurlburt.
Steuben	.St. Thomas', Bath	——————————————————————————————————————
~		William W. McCay.
Seneca	.Trinity, Seneca Falls	
		Samuel Dey,
		C. W. Seely,
,		Stephen S. Viele,
		John Isaacs,
		Sadoc Nash,
	C. D. H. 197	Gary V. Sacket.
	St. Paul's, Waterloo	Samuel Birdsall,
		John Watkins,
		Charles T. Freebody,
		Wm. V. J. Mercer,
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		Freeman Heminway,
	•	Theron R. Strong,
	St John's Salus	George W. Cuyler.
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The following gentlemen of the Clergy, entitled to seats, were not present:—

Rev. Edward Andrews,
Liberty A. Barrows,
John Bayley,
Leverett Bush,
Tapping R. Chipman,
Samuel Cooke,
George Denison,
Edmund Embury,
John B. Gallagher,

Rev. Isaac Garvin,
Henry Gregory,
Nathaniel Huse,
James Keeler,
Thomas Morris,
Rufus Murray,
Henry Peck,
Lewis Thibon, Jun.
Henry Tullidge,

Rev. William M. Weber, M. D.

The following gentlemen of the Clergy, not entitled to seats as members, were present at the sittings of the Convention:—

Rev. J. D. Carder, of New York.
R. B. Van Kleek, of New York.
Thos. H. Taylor, D. D., of New York.
O. H. Smith, of New York.
N. H. Adams, of New York.
Wm. Berrian, D. D., of New York.
George S. Porter, of Western New York.
Charles H. Halsey, of New Jersey.
George Upfold, D. D., of Pennsylvania.
Eli Wheeler, of Connecticut.
William White, of Pennsylvania.
Salmon Wheaton, D. D., of Rhode Island.
Stephen C. Millet, of Maine.

The following documents, referring to the call of the Convention, were then, by order of the Bishop, read by the Secretary:—

To THE REV. PIERRE A. PROAL,

Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of Western New York.

REV. AND DEAR SIR :— I am happy to inform you that the Right Reverend the Presiding Bishop has accorded, not only very promptly and cheerfully, but also with the expression of his own full approbation of the measure, to the desire of the convention that the consecration of the Bishop Elect of the diocese of Western New York should take place within the said diocese. In communicating to him the above mentioned desire of the Convention, I expressed also the full understanding and condial wishes that it should be accorded to only on the condition that we might anticipate the favor of his presence on that interesting occasion, and that, in order to this, the time for the consecration should be at a period of the year when easy and pleasant travelling might be expected.

Accordingly all the necessary canonical preliminaries being completed, he has appointed the Festival of the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ, being the ninth day of May next, as the time, and St. Peter's Church, Auburn, as the place of consecration.

The Primary Convention of the diocese having requested that a Special Convention

be called at the time and place of consecration, I doesn a compliance with that request in all respects right and proper. You will therefore have the goodness to give notice, in the canonical way, to the clergy and parishes of the diocese of Western New York, that a Special Convention of said diocese will be held in St. Peter's Church, in the village of Auburn, and county of Cayuga, on Wednesday, the eighth day of May next, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Your affectionate brother,

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK,

Acting Bishop of the Diocese of Western New York.

New York, February 19, 1839.

Whereas, in the Primary Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the diocese of Western New York, held in the village of Geneva, November, 1838, certain resolutions were adopted relating to the consecration of the Reverend William Heath-oote De Lancey, D. D., Bishop elect of the said diocese; and

Whereas the Acting Bishop of the said Church has been requested by a resolution of the same Convention "to call a Special Meeting of the Convention at the time and "place appointed for the consecration," and has "deemed a compliance with that

" request in all respects right and proper": --

Notice is hereby given to the Clergy and Parishes of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the diocese of Western New York, that a Special Convention of said diocese will be held in St. Peter's Church, in the village of Auburn, and county of Cayuga, on Wednesday, the eighth day of May next, at 10 o'clock A. M.

By order of the Acting Bishop.

PIERRE ALEXIS PROAL,
Secretary of Convention.

Utica, 23d February, 1839.

The Secretary also read the following communication received by him from the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, which was ordered to be entered upon the Journal:—

" Extract from the minutes of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Pennsylvania"

"The Standing Committee having, in the form prescribed by the Canons, given their consent to the consecration of the Rev. Dr. De Lancey, as Bishop of the Diocese of Western New York, deem it proper to record upon their minutes the feelings with which this their official act has been performed. They are pained by the reflection, that it will be followed by a separation from one whom as a friend they highly esteem and value, and of whose services and efficiency as an associate, the minutes of the committee afford ample proof.

"They are well aware that the Diocese of Pennsylvania will sustain a serious loss in the removal from it of a Presbyter whose devotion to its interests, and zeal and ability in edvancing them, the experience of more than sixteen years has fully shown. But as Churchmen, deeply interested in the welfare of the general Church, and tully sensible that, under God, that welfare will be greatly promoted by "the sacred office of a Bishop being worthily conferred," they have unanimously and cordially given their official consent to, and now record their unqualified approval of the consecration, as Bishop, of the Rev. Dr. De Lancey, who, from a long and intimate knowledge of him, they are satisfied is ably qualified to perform, and will faithfully discharge all the duties of that highly responsible office; and on whose learning, and sound judgment, zeal and piety, as a counsellor and Father in God, not only the important diocese over which he is called to preside, but the church at large, may confidently and safely rely.

"Resolved. That a copy of the foregoing entry on the minutes be transmitted to

the Rev. Dr. De Lancey.

"Resolved. That a copy of the foregoing be transmitted to the Secretary of the convention of the diocese of Western New York, and that the Secretary of the committee be authorised to publish the same.

"The above is a true extract from the minutes of a meeting of the Standing Com-

mittee, held the 8th December, 1838.

(Signed)

Secretary of the Standing Committee of the diocese of Pennsylvania.

Philadelphia, December 10th, 1838.

To the Rev. Pierre Alexis Proal, Secretary of the diocese of Western New York."

The certificate of the delegates from St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, having been submitted to the Convention,

On motion of Rev. Dr. Rudd,

Resolved, That the delegates named therein be received as delegates to this Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Proal,

Resolved, That clergymen belonging to this diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention; clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this diocese; and professors, and students of theology in the Protestant Episcopal Church, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention.

The Secretary named the Rev. J. A. Bolles, as his assistant, who declined the appointment on account of ill health. The Rev. C. S.

Hawks was then appointed by the Secretary.

The Acting Bishop then delivered the following

#### ADDRESS:

### MY BRETHERN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:-

The record of my services in and for this diocese since, at its organization, in November last, it was placed under my jurisdiction, is, as you doubtless anticipate, very brief.

The Sunday after the Primary Convention, the Twenty-First after Trinity, November 4, I spent in the city of Utica, where, in Trinity Church, I preached and administered the communion in the morning; read prayers and preached, in the afternoon, in the temporary chapel of the parish of Grace Church; and in the evening preached again in Trinity Church. I am happy to learn that the interesting parish of Grace Church are about to erect a house of prayer, sufficient for present purposes, and with a strict regard to that due economy, and avoidence of debt, which is so powerfully enforced by considerations of enlightened prudence and moral honesty, and therefore of true piety. The Rev. Albert C. Patterson has, I am happy to say, accepted an appointment to the rectorship of this parish and will probably soon be transferred to this diocese from that to which he at present belongs.

The changes among the clergy of the diocese, since its Primary Convention, have been as follows:—

The Rev. Charles G. Acly has resigned the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Watertown, Jefferson county.

The Rev. Samuel G. Appleton has removed into this diocese by letter of dismission from that of Massachusetts, and become Rector of Christ Church, Manlius, Onondaga county.

The Rev. Orange Clark, D. D., has resigned the Rectorship of Grace Church, Rochester, where he is succeeded by the Rev. Washington Van Zandt, who has been transferred to this diocese from that of New York. Dr. Clark has since been transferred to the diocese of New York.

The Rev. Beardsley Northrop is the missionary at West Avon, Livingston county.

The Rev. George H. Norton, long the faithful and exemplary missionary at Allen's Hill, Ontario county, has, I am sorry to say, been compelled, by impaired health, to relinquish his public pastoral duties. Carrying with him, however, in the retirement which, in the wise providence of God, is rendered unavoidable, the true Christian pastor's heart, he will, I doubt not, continue to enjoy the affectionate respect and confidence of the church, and the gracious approbation of the Divine Master in whose cause he has many years, and during many of them, under much bodily suffering and debility, faithfully laboured. His is one of the too few instances in which a clergyman builds for himself, by God's blessing on long and faithful labour in one flock, a dwelling of peace and happiness in the affections of a generation grown up under his ministry.

It gives me great pain to be obliged to record the death of the Rev. Seth S. Rogers, Missionary at Fayetteville and Mount Upton, Chenango county. The loss, however, thus sustained by the church, the diocese, and his family, has—Christian faith and hope give us every reason to trust—been attended with his great gain. A faithful minister, he was also a truly faithful disciple, of the Lord Jesus Christ. He loved the church, its good order, its holy services, and its spiritual purity. Knowing, as it was my privilege to do, the affectionate warmth of heart which he cherished and manifested in all his relations to the church, I should do injustice to my feelings were I not to express my sympathy with my beloved brethren of this diocese, and the justly honoured minister of Christ who is soon to be over them in the Lord, on this first death which its annals have to record.

The Rev. Thomas J. Ruger has resigned the missionary station at Sherburne, Chenango county.

The Rev. Foster Thayer has resigned the rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Waterloo, Seneca county.

The Rev. Henry Tullidge, having relinquished the missionary station at Seneca Falls, Seneca county, and Montezuma, Cayuga county, has become the missionary at Wethersfield Springs, Genesee county, that having been created a distinct station; and Auroraville, Erie county, formerly connected with it, continuing under the missionary charge of the Rev. Isaac Garvin.

The Rev. Lloyd Windsor has relinquished the missionary station at Fayetteville and Pompey, Onondaga county, and been appointed to that at Geneseo, Livingston county.

The present number of clergy in the diocese is seventy-five, the same as at its organization, one having died, one removed, and two been added.

There are two candidates for orders belonging to this diocese. Hobart Williams, late a candidate in the Diocese of New York, has been transferred by me, at his request, to this diocese. The other candidate is Allen B. Myers, admitted by me, on the recommendation of the Standing Committee of this diocese, on the day after its organization.

As a circumstance intimately connected with the state and prospects of the diocese, I feel it my duty to advert to the enlargement in size of that excellent paper, the Gospel Messenger, published in the city of Utica, under the editorial supervision and responsibility of the Rev. Dr. Rudd—an editor of long experience, much longer than that of any other in our church, and an experience which has brought to ripened maturity the very best qualifications for so important, responsible, and extensively influential, a department in the church's service. The Gospel Messenger, brethren, may well be the pride of this diocese. It has been, by God's blessing, one of the most efficient instruments in extending the cause of the blessed Gospel, and enlightening men in the true principles of the church with which that gospel is identified. Among the many causes of devout gratitude to your God and Saviour which your peculiarly happy circumstances present, you should not fail to recognize the existence

in your diocese of a publication, in thorough union with its best interests, of so excellent a paper, and one which has earned so just a claim to the confidence and esteem of all good Christians. The manifestations of mutual confidence, of kind feeling, and of holy concord in devotion to the cause of Christ and the church, which have been given by this excellent paper and its junior colleague in devotion to the united interests of the gospel and the church, published in your sister diocese of New York, are most interesting to the truly Christian mind, and no small earnest of the evangelical harmony which may be hoped to be permanently established between two such important branches of Christ's holy church.

It gives me much pleasure to record the recent incorporation, by the legislature of this state, of Hobart Hall, at Holland Patent, Oneida county—a literary institution established chiefly under the auspices of the corporation of St. Paul's church in that village, in which it is designed to secure to youth the advantages of the highest grade of academical learning connected with special attention to instruction in the great truths and duties of the gospel. It is under the superintendence as Principal, of the Rev. Stephen McHugh, and the Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D., has been appointed to the chair of Moral Philosophy therein. I trust that the diocese, especially the portion of it in the immediate vicinity of the Hall, will not be wanting in proper efforts to sustain so creditable an enterprize.

It being a very proper usage to introduce into these addresses any matter of peculiar interest to our church at large, I would here notice, with sentiments of gratitude to God, the accession made, since our Primary Convention, to the episcopate of that church, by the consecration of the Right Rev. Leonidas Polk, D. D., to fill a station in that department whose operations have been so faithfully prosecuted, and so signally blest, in the person of its other incumbent, our missionary episcopacy.

And now, dear brethren, I have brought to a close the last episcopal address to be made to you. It is indeed the first in your capacity as a separate diocese. But the memory of former years comes over me, when I was wont to take sweet counsel with you as a part of a larger charge. They have past, and have borne along with them dispensations and orderings of God's providence which

have led, rightly and for the best, to the severance in which I now view you. The deeply interesting services of the morrow will reader that severance complete. It will not, however, affect that Christian union by which I hope ever to be one with you. It will not affect that union of my heart with you—and as of you I here recognize the beloved brother who is to be over you in the Lord—which, I am sure, death only can sever. No! let me hope that even that will not sever; but only transfer to that better country where all shall be one even as our Heavenly Father and Christ His Son are one.

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK.

Auburn, May 8th, 1889.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Shelton,

Resolved, That so much of the Acting Bishop's Address, now delivered, as relates to his separation from the diocese, be referred to a committee of three.

The chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Shelton, the Rev. Mr. Bolles, and George B. Webster, on this committee.

The Acting Bishop having, by request, retired from his seat, the Bev. Dr. Rudd, at his desire, took the chair.

Whereupon the Rev. Mr. Proal offered the following preamble

and resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, by the resolution of the Primary Convention, held in the village of Geneva, November, 1838, the Episcopal charge and authority of the Rt. Rev. B. T. Onderdonk, D. D., will cease in the Diocese of Western New York immediately upon the consecration of the Rev. W. H. De Lancey, D. D.:—And,

Whereas, the past interesting relation of the Rt. Rev. B. T. Onderdonk, D. D., to this diocese has imparted to him information touching its interests and affairs, which it may be desirable that this

Convention should possess:—Therefore,

Resolved, That the Rt. Rev. B. T. Onderdonk, D. D., be authorized and solicited to act as the President of this Convention until such time as the Rev. W. H. De Lancey, D. D., Bishop elect, shall have been consecrated and take the chair; and that he be requested to express his sentiments, or communicate any information he may possess, to this Convention, during its present session, touching any subject which may come before it pending its deliberations.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to express to the Rt. Rev. B. T. Onderdonk, D. D., the high sense of obligation which this Convention entertains for his valuable services, both before and since the consummation of the division; and the deep regret with which they contemplate their official separation from

his pastoral charge.

The chair appointed on the committee the Rev. Messrs. Proal and Lucius Smith, and Thomas H. Hubbard.

The Acting Bishop resumed the chair.
On motion of the Rev. J. C. Rudd, D. D.,

Resolved, That a committee of three members, to be appointed by the chair, wait upon the Rev. William H. De Lancey, D. D., after his consecration, to-morrow, and conduct him to his seat as President of the Convention.

Resolved, That the chairman of the committee be requested to address the newly consecrated Bishop in behalf of the Convention, tendering to him, in its name, a most cordial welcome to the diocese of Western New York; and assuring him of the filial love and obedience of a united and happy diocese.

The chair appointed on the committee, the Rev. Dr. Rudd, Rev.

Seth W. Beardsley, and Jonas Earll, Jun.

On motion of the Secretary,

Resolved, That "the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate of this diocese," be and are hereby authorized and directed to pay, out of the interest which may already have accrued from the said fund, and not yet appropriated, the sum of five hundred dollars, to the Rev. W. H. De Lancey, D. D., towards defraying the expenses for removal of himself and family into this diocese.

Resolved, That the annual salary of the Rev. Dr. De Lancey, as Bishop of this diocese, commence from the first day of May instant,

and that the semi-annual payments date accordingly.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. McCarty,

Resolved, That the committee on the Constitution and Canons, appointed at the Primary Convention, be directed to inquire, whether, according to the last section of the 5th article of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, this Convention in making the changes in the Constitution of the diocese of New York to which this diocese is now subject, is bound to observe the provisions of the 8th article of said Constitution; and also, whether, in changing the canons, the provisions of the 18th canon must needs be observed.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. McCarty,

Resolved, That the vacancy in the committee above referred to, appointed at the Primary Convention, on the amendments to the Constitution and Canons, be now supplied.

Whereupon the chair named the Rev. J. McCarty.

On motion of the Secretary,

Resolved, That when this Convention adjourn, it adjourn to meet to-morrow morning at ten o'clock, in order to attend the consecration of the Bishop Elect of the diocese of Western New York, and to proceed to business immediately after the services.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Metcalf,

Resolved, That the committee on the Diocesan Sunday School

Depository be continued, and instructed to report at the next Convention of this diocese.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Rudd, Resolved, That this Convention adjourn.

# THUBSDAY MORNING, FESTIVAL OF THE ASCENSION, MAY 9TH, 1839, 10 O'CLOCK.

The Convention met.

Morning prayers were read by the Rev. Lucius Smith, assisted by the Rev. George Upfold, D. D., of the diocese of Pennsylvania, who read the lessons.

The consecration sermon was then preached by the Rt. Rev. Benjamin Tredwell Onderdonk, D. D., of the diocese of New York; after which the Rev. William Heathcote De Lancey, D. D., was consecrated Bishop of the diocese of Western New York, by the Rt. Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., of the Eastern diocese, Presiding Bishop; the Rt. Rev. Henry U. Onderdonk, D. D., of the diocese of Pennsylvania; the Rt. Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., of the diocese of New York; and the Rt. Rev. George W. Doane, D. D., of the diocese of New York; and the Rt. Rev. George W. Boane, D. D., of the diocese of New Jersey, being present, and assisting.

The Bishop Elect was presented for consecration by the Rt. Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., and the Rt. Rev. George W. Doane,

D. D.

The communion was then administered by the Rt. Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., assisted by the Rt. Rev. Henry U. Onderdonk, D. D., the Rt. Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., the Rt. Rev. George W. Doane, D. D., and the Rt. Rev. William H. De Lancey, D. D.

The service being ended, the Rt. Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk,

D. D., called the Convention to order, when,

On motion of the Secretary, it was

Resolved, That the Convention do now adjourn, to meet again this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Whereupon the house took a recess until 4 o'clock.

# THURSDAY AFTERNOON, 4 o'CLOCK.

The Convention re-assembled. The minutes of yesterday's and

this morning's session were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Shelton, from the committee on such part of the Acting Bishop's Address as relates to his separation from this diocese, made the following

#### REPORT:

Your committee, appointed upon that part of Bishop Onder. donk's Address which relates to his separation from this portion of

his original diocese, beg leave to report:—That they have listened, in common with all this Convention, with much emotion, to the expressions of regard, and affection with which we have been addressed by our late Bishop, and we feel, that, to express our sense of the obligation we rest under to him, is our privilege and high gratification.

It is now more than eight years since the relation has subsisted which is now dissolved: a relation (considered in its sacredness.) one of the highest that can exist among men; a relation, in the divcharge of which there has been, from the beginning, an uniform effort to render deeply efficacious to all with whom it has existed. the duties of this high relationship have been discharged, let the great and steadily increasing prosperity of the church,—let the deep attachments which have been every where formed, - and the profound emotion now felt at the separation, be the tests! They are all that can be offered, until that dread period shall come when the secrets of all hearts shall be disclosed. We part with him, who has so long, so ably, and so affectionately ruled over us in the Lord, with those emotions which naturally spring up, when the strongest sensibilities of our hearts are awakened. But in doing so, we beg leave to say, that we are not filled with regret merely; our hopes are awakened, our love to the church is excited to renewed ardour, and our zeal for her continued prosperity is re-enkindled.

We behold is the great cause for this separation, an evidence, not merely of the prosperity of the church, but also of the facility and harmony with which that Divine Authority resting in the church, makes itself known and felt. It adapts itself to all the changing circumstances of life; and is not better fitted to be in being under the sway of regal authority, than in an elective government. It is not influenced by climate, by civilization, or by the changing circumstances of the world. It is pre-eminently adapted to the ever-varying condition of humanity. The observation of this is well calculated to increase our faith in the perpetuity of that system of church government under which we live, and which we believe had its origin from the Divine Founder of our religion, and has had its being, as now exercised, in all the ages of Christendom. Cherishing this belief, your committee cannot refrain, upon this occasion, while this Con-

vention takes the precedence in the formation of a new diocese, in the peculiar manner in which this is done, from looking onward into that time which yet is future, when all the Bishoprics in this vast country shall be doubled, and again divided, and sub-divided. Truth, which is always mighty, will prevail. From this beginning, there cannot but be indulged the expectation, that steady perseverance, enlightened zeal, and sound learning, with God's blessing, will render this Church the most numerous, (and surely it should be,) the most pure of any Church.

Standing as it does, dissevered from all other bodies, unaided, as unbiassed by the state, there is presented the spectacle (so interesting to all beholders) of a Church—relying upon her own energies, (under God,) trusting in Him—looking up to the Divine Head for counsel—to the written word for direction—following the primitive model, and believing in that word of promise, that the gates of hell shall never prevail against her.

Under the influence of these opinions and anticipations, (cherish ing grateful emotions for those who under God have brought us this prosperity,) in the name of the Convention, the committee tender to our late Bishop the sincerest prayers for the prosperity and happiness of his future being.

In all his vicissitudes, as well as prosperous seasons, he will ever find in the confidence, and respect, and attachment, of this new diocese, that reliance which will (in some degree) sustain him in his adversity, and cheer him in his prosperity.

WILLIAM SHELTON, James A. Bolles, George B. Webster.

Whereupon, on motion of Rev. Lucius Smith,

Resolved, That the report which has just been read be entered

upon the minutes.

The Rev. Mr. Proal, from the committee appointed to express to the Rt. Rev. B. T. Onderdonk, D. D., the high sense which this Convention entertain of his valuable services, and the deep regret with which they contemplate their official separation, made to him in behalf of the Convention, the following

#### ADDRESS:

#### RT. REV. FATHER IN GOD :-

The solemnities of this day awaken mingled emotions. The gratitude and joy inspired by the completion of our ecclesiastical organization are tempered with sorrow. The transaction which enables us to greet, with so cordial a welcome, the Right Reverend Prelate who is, henceforth, to be over us in the Lord,—our Chief Pastor,—is saddened by the painful association that it separates us officially from yourself, who have so long watched over us with parental solicitude and fidelity,—our Father in God.

We are persuaded that you know us too well, and have received too many tokens of our love and reverence, not to believe, that — while we cannot but "rejoice with joy unspeakable" at the prosperity of our beloved Zion which has rendered this measure necessary,— our hearts are deeply affected at the severence it occasions of the most sacred ties; "sorrowing most of all," that we are "no more" to enjoy your pastoral oversight.

In surrendering so large a portion of your charge, painful as may be the separation, you carry with you, not only the kindest regards of the diocese, but the conviction of your own judgment that its prosperous and elevated condition, which rendered the division necessary, has, under God, grown out of the sound evangelical principles, and the judicious policy, which, with an elevation of character, and a purity of motive, worthy of all praise, you have so firmly, and yet so mildly, carried out. It is these which have made the Church in New York the pride and admiration of churchmen every where.

The surest test of any principles and policy must be found in their practical results. In the present instance, those which have characterized your Episcopate, (—as they did that of your lamented predecessor —) have led, what now constitute the two dioceses in the state of New York, by the Divine blessing, successfully and happily through, perhaps, the most trying period of their history. The whole

discussion relating to the division was conducted with sentiments of personal love towards yourself, and of union with each other. No stronger illustration of this fact can be needed than the unanimous vote of the Primary Convention, expressing the "fullest confidence in you,—in the rectitude of your principles,—in the purity of your motives,—and in the elevation of your benevolent character;" and testifying not only to the kindliness and cheerfulness of your demeanor, but, also, to "the soundness of your principles and the correctness of your proceedings, whether within the limits of your own diocese, or in the concerns of the Church at large."

It is to these, likewise, under the Divine guidance, that we may trace the singular harmony with which the Right Reverend Father in God, who succeeds you in this portion of your late charge, was elected to the sacred office with which he has this day been invested. It is well known that this election was not the result of individual private affection; - for the distinguished subject of it was not personally known to the larger portion of the diocese. It was not produced by official influence on your part; -- for all stand ready to bear witness to the magnanimity with which you desired the diocese to exercise a free and unbiassed choice. Nor did it proceed from the compromise of conflicting parties: --- for, happily, no such pasties We have cause for devout gratitude to the Great exist with us. Head of the Church, that a more united ecclesiastical body than the diocese of Western New York, is no where to be found. tion, then, was made in the strength of the diocese from the fulness of its attachment to the distinctive principles and policy of the Church, and the well known zeal of that honored individual for those principles and that policy, and the wise and moderate firmness with which he uniformly maintained them. These considerations merged individual preference in the great bonds of peace and unity. results before us, as the stirring evidences of the pre-eminent wisdom of the evangelical principles which have characterized your Episcopate, we may be permitted to congratulate each other upon their diffusion, and encourage one another to persevere unto the end in the cause of truth and order.

While, to your successor in the Episcopate will be tendered by other hands, the filial obedience and love of a united and happy dio-

cese, we bear the grateful commission of assuring you, Right Reverend Father, its continued confidence, and sincere attachment to yourself personally. The committee would imperfectly discharge its duty, and inadequately represent the sentiments of this Convention, if they omitted to express to you, as your Episcopal jurisdiction closes, a most affectionate farewell. In the name of the Convention, we tender to you, Right Reverend Sir, an assurance of the undiminished confidence and affection of the diocese of Western New York. We reciprocate with unrestrained cordiality the kindness and tenderness manifested, both in the sentiments and delivery of your discourse this morning. And we shall ever remember, with inexpressible love and reverence, the dignified and affectionate manner in which you have discharged the duties of your Episcopate amongst us. Your unwearied and extensive labours—the piety and urbanity—the fidelity and dignity of your deportment in your arduous and holy trust, have commanded the admiration of the diocese; have imposed on it weighty obligations; and, in the hearts of many of us, these considerations will mingle with the recollection of a long-standing, unbroken, and warm personal friendship. In taking leave of us, therefore, you bear with you our devout prayers for the continuance of\_your health, happiness, and usefulness:—and an earnest desire that this diocese, once a large portion of your charge, may still live in your affection, and still enjoy the benefit of your prayers.

Yes, Right Reverend Sir, may we not cherish the hope, that while we are permitted to participate in the services of the church militant on earth, we shall enjoy the pleasure and advantage of frequent intercourse: and, when the labours of the earthly sanctuary shall close in death, we may all meet in the Church triumphant in heaven, through the merits of our common Redeemer, where, throughout endless ages, there shall be only one indivisible diocese, of which Jesus Christ himself shall be the Bishop and Chief Shepherd, and to Him, as the Lamb of God who hath taken away our sins, and washed us in his own precious blood, shall be ascribed everlasting thanksgiving and praise!

Finally, Right Reverend Father in God, we bid you an affectionate farewell.

PIERRE ALEXIS PROAL,
LUCIUS SMITH,
T. H. HUBBARD.

After a brief and affectionate reply from the Rt. Rev. B. T. Onderdonk, D. D., he then vacated the chair.

The Rt. Rev. Dr. De Lancey having been conducted to his seat by the committee appointed for that purpose, the Rev. Dr. Rudd, as chairman of this committee, then delivered the following

#### ADDRESS:

#### RT. REVEREND FATHER IN GOD :-

In the name and behalf of this Convention, I offer you a hearty welcome and cordial reception as our Diocesan, the President of this body, and spiritual guide and Father.

The unanimity and concord which, by the gracious influence of the Divine Spirit upon the hearts of his people, attended your election to the Episcopate of Western New York, of a knowledge of which you are already in possession, must have prepared your mind for this reception.

If, in discharging the duty now required of me, I could do justice to the occasion, to the Right Reverend Prelates who honour us with their presence,—and gratify as highly as they honour,—if I could do justice to you and to this Convention, I would record this as the most interesting hour of my life. We see in it, as faith and hope impel us to believe, an evident token of good from the presence of the Great Head of the Church. In his righteous wisdom—perhaps his displeasure at our carelessness and sin—he had seen fit to remove from us, in the fullness of his usefulness and the vigour of his powerful intellect, that distinguished Father in Israel whose monument adorns this sacred temple, and in whom you and he who now addresses you, long saw a most kind counsellor and guide, a most endeared and tender friend.

Though resting from his labours, his works do follow him; for, to the correctness of his policy as a churchman, his piety as a Christian—his solicitude for the salvation of souls—his ability as a defender of the faith in Christ—his soundness of discretion—his unwearied labours as an overseer of the flock—his affection for his clergy—his urbanity towards his laity we owe, under God, the extension of our communion, the advancement of "Evangelical truth and Apostolic order," in this improving country. The same policy carried out with like characteristics by his successor in the Episco-

pate, and marked by no common proofs of Christian humility, zeal, and magnanimity, has brought us to the solemnities of this holy day, in which we find ourselves a completely organized and perfect diocese. The children of the one Father have grown to manhood under the fidelity and wisdom of the other; and, though now to be separated from him,—still separated as children only, who, though dismissed from his immediate control, are dismissed with his blessing;—and will not soon forget the love, the generosity and care of a father.

In looking for one to be over us in the Lord, who would be like-minded towards us, with these beloved and venerated men,—the Convention was guided,—we verily thought and believed, by the Divine Spirit, to yourself.

It may be well here to remark, that, unknown as you was personally, to almost the whole Convention, this preference was not dictated by considerations apart from a strong conviction, that there was peculiar fitness in the choice. Your well earned reputation and standing in the Church had inspired a high degree of confidence that those sound principles under the operation of which the diocese had grown, and for which an ardent attachment was cherished, would be carried forward with steadiness and in the meekness of wisdom.

We have the utmost gratification in believing that the same allgracious Being who has directed us, will be ever with you for counsel and for strength, and through you over us, for our good to edification.

And now, Right Reverend Father, will you and will this Convention allow me a few words expressive of my own peculiar interest in the solemn transactions of this day?

I am standing, sir, on the very spot where, for many years, my ministrations in the sacred office were discharged, imperfectly indeed, through various scenes of joy and sorrow — sorrow, when our beautiful house was destroyed by the flames — and joy, when this new temple rose from the ashes. Though changed the edifice, the spot is identical with that on which the lamented Hobart stood when he uttered his last sermon. Here it was that I saw him as he last laid his hands in holy confirmation, and from this spot I conducted him to that near upper room, where we watched him through those last ten days, of intense concern, which closed the labours of his blessed

life on earth. What spot could have been more fitly chosen for your introduction to the same holy office?—what spot more full of admonition to myself—of more tender instruction to us all!

Again, dear Father, though Brother once,—most welcome to your sacred charge; and may he who "through the ages all along" has been with the church of Apostolic succession, so sanctify and bless us, that we "may surely perform and keep the vow and covenant betwixt us made;"—whereof angels and men are this day witnesses; and may we "ever remain in perfect love and peace together, and live according to his Laws" who hath appointed divers orders of ministers in his church, "that in the world to come we may have life everlasting" through Jesus Christ our Lord.

John C. Rudd, Seth W. Beardsley, Jonas Earll, Jun.

The Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the diocese then made the following

#### ADDRESS IN REPLY:

## My Brethren,

THE CLERGY AND LAITY OF THE CONVENTION:-

Your election of me to the Episcopate of this diocese has this day been consummated in your presence by the solemn act of consecration which has separated me to the work of a chief shepherd over this portion of the flock of Christ. In taking my station among you in this new relation permit me, in the first place, to give vent to the feelings, of which my heart is full, for the cordial manner in which you have invited and received a comparative stranger to your regard and kindness. In the decisive preference of a majority, in the prompt concurrence of all, in your assembling to witness my consecration, and in the respectful and affectionate mode and language in which, through your committee you have now welcomed me to the diocese and introduced me to the chair of the Convention, I cannot but perceive the influence of that fraternal feeling which is the offspring of the Good Spirit teaching Christian people to love and honour those who have the rule over them and which assures me that I now behold a band of brothers clustering round to uphold my weakness and supply my inexperience, not by their counsels only, but by their fervent and unremitted intercessions at the throne of grace.

For all this kindness. I can offer only the heartfelt expression of my thanks, with sincere and earnest prayers for heavenly blessings on you all. May God give me grace to verify your fond anticipations, by enabling me, diligently and faithfully to discharge the duties of this high and sacred office.

It would be foreign to my feelings, on this occasion, not to express my own personal and hearty acknowledgments to the Rt. Rev. Father, who, as the Senior Bishop of the Church in these United States, has invested me with the sacred commission, and has encountered for the purpose a lengthened journey at an advanced period of life. With the same sincerity I tender my thanks to the other Rt. Rev. Prelates who have so kindly attended, to unite in this solemn act. In my own behalf and in yours, I solicit their continued prayers for the brother now raised to their own rank in the Christian ministry, and for the important section of the vineyard where he is called to labor.

I regard myself as elected by the diocese and now elevated to this office, not on any party, sectional, or personal grounds, but by a clear and united voice lifted in favor of those views and principles which have hitherto been so signally blessed among you, and to which your committee have referred.

I come among you, not to distract and divide, I trust, but to bind and rivet your affections in the cause of our common Master, to lead this flock, as other and abler shepherds have led them, in paths of unity, peace and love, of ardent devotion to Christ,—of unshaken attachment to his Church. Educated under the immediate eye of the revered Prelate, whose dying voice sounded from this spot, whose living strength was expended on this, as a favorite section of the state, whose most imperishable monument is in the hearts of all of us, I have imbibed from the scriptures of truth, through him, the views of evangelical doctrine and Church order with which you are all so familiar, and which seem to me, after a trial of twenty years, to be fundamentally connected, not with the outward prosperity of the Church alone, but with the object which the Church is designed to promote, the glory of the living God, and the salvation of the immortal souls of men.

On terms of personal friendship and close intimacy with the Rt.

Rev. Brother who succeeded to his office, and whose success in carrying out his principles and policy is recorded with approbation on your journal, and evidenced in the very existence of this new and influential diocese, which, with the faithfulness of a pastor seeking only the good of his flock, and a magnanimity and piety commanding universal admiration, he has allowed to be dissevered from his charge, and erected into an independent fold, I may confidently look to him for such advice, and aid as the mutual and interwoven interests and feelings of the two dioceses will exact, and as his experience ability and wisdom so well qualify him to impart.

Spending also, by far the greater portion of my ministerial life in the parish, almost in the family, of another venerated man, long the object of love and regard throughout the Church in this country, I trust I have learnt from his example of Christian gentleness, patient energy, quiet diligence, and steady adherence, in all practical points, to the distinctive character and principles of the Church, that the temperate, uniform, unwavering maintenance of the great principles of Gospel truth and order and holiness through which the Church is blessed and man is saved, is the most effectual mode of retaining peace and harmony among ourselves, of securing the lasting respect of those that are without, and of advancing the permanent good of the Church of Christ.

Thus I have but to tread in the steps of men venerated and beloved for the zeal devotion and energy, with which they have upheld the cause of piety, truth, and order in the Church of God.

In studying to show myself approved unto God it must be my effort, as it is my duty, to set before you distinctly, as occasion may serve and opportunity be given the great object for which the Church exists, to promote the divine glory as the pillar of the truth, as the nurse of piety, as the true bond of union, and as the agent of moral, spiritual, and eternal good to men.

The advent of the Saviour was hailed by the angelic hosts as an event that would bring glory to God and good will and peace to man. By his atonement on the cross he opened the door of heaven:—by his holy word he taught men how to find it:—and by the gift of his Spirit be imparts to all the power to enter it and be saved forever.

To give continued efficacy to this gracious mediation in man's

behalf upon the successive generations of mankind, until the divine purposes should be accomplished, he established the Gospel Church, with its ministry and sacraments, and imparted to it a power of perpetuity, blessing it with the promise of his unceasing presence to the end of time. The very institution of such a system by Christ himself is a sufficient proof of the wisdom of the appointment and of its paramount claims upon our regard and attachment.

earth without organization, without a ministry, without any form of visible association amongst its followers, leaving each one to believe and act and teach according to his own views of the system; its perpetuity to be secured by individual, separate, uncombined action, and its character and doctrines manifested and enforced according to the private and independent notions of its various followers, it is obvious that his own proceedings in the commissioning of a ministry, and the appointment of the ordinances of Baptism and the Lord's Supper, are directly in the face of his design. It is equally true that his apostles utterly failed to appreciate his object. Nay, it is plain that nothing but a continued, a daily, an hourly miracle could have kept his religion alive for half a century. It would have melted away, like the snow in spring, before the heated and violent assaults which it had to encounter at the outset.

If the existence of the Christian Church, then, be the result of wisdom,—even divine wisdom,—its preservation in the form and for the purposes for which it was instituted, must appear to us an unavoidable duty. We are neither to clog it with needless or hurtful appendages on the one hand, nor strip it of its powers, or prerogatives, or essential constituents on the other. Just in proportion as its members, whether in the high commission of the ministry or out of it, are steady, faithful and honest in using this divinely organized society for the purposes it was intended to subserve, will they fulfil their duty, promote the glory of God, and advance the salvation of themselves and others.

Let us regard the Church as the pillar and ground of the truth. In this view it is presented to us in Scripture. This is the character it has sustained in the world. Let us remember that a pillar is not to be preserved by attempts to overthrow it, nor a ground-work kept secure by undermining or sapping it.

The great doctrines inscribed on this pillar by Christ and his apostles, are ever to be maintained in purity and in distinctness. God, supreme, eternal, one, subsisting in three persons Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, co-equal, co-eternal. The Son, -incarnate, crucified, a voluntary sacrifice for sin, risen to glory a present advocate with God, our final judge. The Holy Ghost, -a sanctifier and comforter, the great Paraclete, the only source of purity and strength to the soul of man. Man,-rebellious, depraved, guilty, needing pardon, grace, and strength, destitute of all merit, helpless and hopeless without the mediation of Christ-empowered through that mediation to repent believe and turn to God, invoked to do so at the peril of eternal woe,—called to the means of grace, and to the hopes of glory,—a probationer on earth—subject to final judgment and eternal retribution in the world to come,—and commanded to be washed, and sanctified, and justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God. Faith, as verified by good works, is the sole medium through which the sinner is freely justified through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus. Holiness imparted by the Spirit, and displaying itself in the utter renunciation of vice and the attempted practice of all Christian virtues and graces.

These great doctrines of the cross and all others based on the same divine word, constitute the inscription which God has graven upon the Church, the pillar and ground of the truth. It is only through our unfaithfulness, neglect, and sins, that this sacred pillar which thus rears its head to the skies, as the great beacon of truth and salvation in this world, can ever be mutilated or defaced by error, or crusted over with superstition and fanaticism.

Let us regard the Church as the nurse of piety, of piety in her ministers and in her members. This is a clear object for which she exists,—the end of her sacraments instructions and worship. Her doctrines are not to be esteemed by us as a mere frozen body of abstract and recondite truths. They are vivifying principles, penetrating to the very bone and marrow of human character. We uphold her to no good purpose for ourselves, however we may benefit others, unless we regard her as feeding us not only with the bread of truth, but with the manna of pure and unalloyed godliness. Could I be persuaded, my brethren, that in the doctrines, or usages, or insti-

tutions of the Church there was any thing to send off the soul panting to be conformed to the divine image, away from that blessed object, to cast obstructions in the path of her elevation, to prevent her rising by holy meditation, or heart-uttered prayer, or fitting public devotions, or effective sacraments, to the very summit of Christian virtue, to zeal like that of Peter, or love like that of John, or holiness like that of Paul, or patience like that of Stephen — to the daily exhibition of the true portrait of the Christian disciple --- "pure, peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy,"-I should not hesitate to repudiate it as a system hostile to one great design of the Gospel, and therefore never justly claiming its sanction however ingenuity or argument might plead her value in other respects. But, is there any perverse tendency of this kind in the Church, or her institutions? ye pious and holy men who in her earliest ages, in days of persecution and martyrdom, sealed your testimony with your blood,—was there any deficiency of vital and purifying energy in her forms or her ministry, or her sacraments, then? Answer ye, who in a nearer age, since the reformation, have been nursed on her bosom, ye Hookers, and Taylors, and Seckers, and Hebers, and Nelsons, and Roses, and Hobarts, now reaping above the rewards of faith and piety, did ye find your affections frozen, or your zeal hampered, or your aspirations for holiness checked, by the prayers, or services, or sacraments, or institutions of that Church, of which ye were on earth the ornaments and advocates? No, my brethren, there is nothing in the provisions or principles of the Church inimical to the healthiest and loftiest growth of religion in the heart of man; and the more we imbibe her true spirit, and employ her ample means of grace, the nearer shall we approach the character of those who have found pardon in the cross which she holds up to sinful men, strength and purity in the grace which she urges them to seek, and an effectual saviour in Him, who is her avowed Head and Guide - the author and finisher of her faith.

The Church is to be regarded as a bond of union. By innumerable ligaments she binds us to one another in unity, presenting to us "One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of us all, who is above all, and through all, and in all." The Church is a

great society, union with which, begun in baptism, is maintained by the recognition of her officers, authority, and government, by reception of her doctrines, and by upholding her laws and worship. her wide extended arms she embraces all who love the Lord Jesus Christ, and obey God, shutting out no baptised man from her fold, or her sacraments, or her instructions, but at the same time, proclaiming with the temperate but decisive voice of truth, that, as security for soundness of doctrine, and for safety to the ministerial commission of which she is the channel, none shall be admitted to her ministry who do not receive Episcopal ordination or consecration. as the Church is kept on this high ground of principle she is above the littleness of mere competition with surrounding sects. sents a safe enclosure for her own members. She will be a refuge to the wandering, oppressed, and distracted, from whatever quarter they may come. Feeble in numbers influence and wealth she may be, an object of vituperation and scorn, denounced as illiberal, bigo ted, yet will she maintain an attitude of dignity, even in the view of enemies, so long as she consistently maintains the consistency of her pretensions.

Within this fold let the spirit of love and harmony actuate us all, each one aiming to set forth quietness, peace, and good-will, eradicating from the heart envy, and jealousy, and pride, and whatever else may hinder us from Godly union and concord. If there be one prayer that should go up to God with earnestness from every heart, winged by the desire for our own comfort, for the respectability of the Church and for her saving influence upon ourselves and others, it is that our Jerusalem built as it is on the solid rock of Gospel truth and order may be as a city that is at unity in itself.

Finally, the Church is to be regarded as the agent and means of moral and spiritual good to men. She acts to this end either directly or indirectly. Directly, when by her ministers she proclaims the truths of salvation, dispenses the sacraments of grace, and upholds in a world of idolatry and sin the worship of the one true God and his Son Jesus Christ;—and also, when by her Convention she calls up her members to the work of contributing of their means and influence to advance her sacred objects and enterprises; and indirectly, when she accepts the voluntary offers of self-organized associations

to promote her welfare, acting under her sanction, in accordance with her laws, and in subservience to her authority and wishes. It may be made a question whether direct or indirect action be the more expedient and useful in prosecuting her enterprises but there can be no question that all action should be subservient to Church authority. Otherwise, irresponsible and independent bodies, under the specious plea of promoting her good, would soon grow up to the possession of an overshadowing power subjecting not the ministry only, but the very Convention itself to the very worst of all usurpations,—a spiritual tyranny. The history of the religious world for the last twenty years speaks in a voice of warning upon this point, so decided, and distinct, and solemn, that it would argue an extreme of folly, a presumptuous disregard of the lessons of experience, not to be guarded and fortified against so great a peril. With fearless intrepidity, almost with prophetic tongue, the lamented Hobart placed before the Church the danger to be apprehended from this source; and to the same effect were often heard in public and in private the touching counsels of the wise and venerable patriarch so long the presiding Bishop of the Church.

Such are some of the points of view in which we are to regard the Church—the body of Christ—of which I have this day in the providence of God, been appointed an officer; and of a part of which I see before me the constitutional representatives.

Introduced into this body as its presiding officer, I shall need from you, in duties so entirely new to me, no small amount of the patience and forbearance, for which I confidently look to all, under the avowal of a sincere desire to act with the impartiality and courtesy appropriate to so responsible a station, and to the character of those over whom I am to preside.

In fulfilling the duties of the Episcopacy I look to the endeared relations in which I shall stand to you, my clerical brethren, as a fountain of comfort, satisfaction and joy, which the heart only can appreciate. I trust you will ever find in me what you have enjoyed so richly in my predecessors, a faithful and sympathising friend in your trials, an honest counsellor in your difficulties, and a zealous upholder of your hands and influence in the Church of Christ, fully confident as I am that I shall need reciprocated sympathy, forbearance

and aid, in the arduous position, which, by your voice, under the providence of God, I now occupy. I am no stranger to the perils and trials of the Christian ministry. It will become us all as servants of the Lord Jesus Christ — as ministers in holy things, as charged with the everlasting salvation of men, as stewards that must give account - to keep our minds guided and braced to the work, by the sense of our responsibility, and to guard against the spirit of indolence, which is so apt to creep in on the professional mind. the same diligence must we watch against the spirit of formality which our very intimacy with the deep things of religion, from the infirmity of our nature, sometimes endangers. Not less cautious must we be against the spirit of ostentation and parade which will poison alike the devotions of the desk and the instructions of the pulpit. Equal vigilance is required against the spirit of strife and envy which stops up at once the channels of usefulness in the Christian vineyard, -- against the spirit of fear which suppresses the faithful enunciation of gospel truth to meet the weak and wicked prejudices of men, --- and against that rough, and uncouth, denunciatory tone and temper which occasionally leads the ministers of Christ, forgetting that they are to "persuade men," and to "win souls," to proclaim "the terrors of the Lord" in a spirit, wholly foreign to the meekness and gentleness of Him, whose predicted and verified characteristic was, that "he should not break the bruised reed, nor quench the smoking flax." The great work of the ministry will exact the utmost energy of mind and body that can be summoned to our aid. And the note of warning to be diligent comes to us already from the death-bed of the lamented brother, summoned in faith and hope, to his account, in the very infancy of the diocese.\* Men are to be called off from the vanities and follies and delusions of a corrupt world, en which they have set their hearts, by a faithful announcing of their eternal peril on the one hand, and of the gracious offers promises and encouragements of the Gospel on the other. Christian people are to be urged to grow in grace and knowledge. The Church of Christ is to be upheld in her rightful claims on the regard and obe-Sin is to be rebuked—impenitence warned—timid dience of men. piety encouraged—and the mature and resolute godliness of the Christ-

<sup>\*</sup> The Rev. SETH S. ROGERS, who died on the day after the meeting of the Primery Convention.

ian professor to be fortified and confirmed by our counsels, admonitions, prayers and efforts. May we, in all this, be ever found "making full proof" of our ministry, labouring shoulder to shoulder, as a band of brethren, good soldiers of Christ—instant in season, and out of season, faithful unto death,—that when the Chief Shepherd shall appear, we may receive the crown of glory that fadeth not away.

Not less interesting, my brethren of the laity, are the relations in which I am placed to you by the important office which I hold. To the minds of some the introduction of lay influence into the government and legislation of the Church has given alarm. It has no terrors for me. I look to the sober judgment, the straight-forward and common sense views of ecclesiastical matters, the talents, influence and wisdom of pious and considerate laymen, as, under God, a chief means of rightful and advantageous legislation and guidance for the Church, as a safeguard against the occasional excitements to which the clerical mind is subject, and as a powerful auxiliary in extending and strengthening the entrenchments of the city of our God—the Zion of the Holy One of Israel. It is not to be forgetten that the infant feebleness of many congregations now flourishing in maturity and vigour, was nursed by the persevering zeal of laymen, statedly reading to a faithful few, the prayers and praises of the Liturgy.

But it is as auxiliary, not as paramount, that this influence is to be regarded, and has been, hitherto, so happily and advantageously applied to the cause of our Church. And it is, also, upon the character of the laity for piety, prudence, and wisdom, for zeal and devotion to the Church and cause of Christ that this benefit reposes. Cordial friendship, prudent counsel, a forbearing judgment upon my inexperience, and the hearty welcome which respect for my office would prompt, not only the experience of my predecessors, but the proceedings and expressions of the Convention, force me confidently to anticipate from all portions of the diocese. Among you, I must stand as a watchman on the topmost wall of Zion on which you have aided to place me not only to warn you against the perils of apathy, delay, and sin, but to call you up to the manifestation of consistent churchmanship — to remind you that without holiness no man shall see the Lord — to urge attendance at the courts of the Lord's House, and cheerful submission to his holy sacraments,—to caution

you to bring up your children, as the children of the Church, in the fear and nurture of the Lord -- to excite in you a due sense of your responsibility to God, as vestrymen in your respective parishes, as members of this body, as deputies to the General Convention of the Church, or as in any way charged with ecclesiastical duties. all it will be my duty to invoke your liberality and countenance to the various institutions and enterprises of the Church; and especially to appeal to you to supply a competent support to the clergy in their respective parishes according to the express ordinance, that they who preach the gospel should live of the gospel. The erection of this portion of the state into a separate diocese has thrown it, to a great degree, on its own resources for Church objects. I have utterly mistaken the character and means, the energy and liberality, of the diocese over which I am to preside, if it be not found adequate, with God's blessing, to the exigencies of this new position. Doubt. . less it will become us to meet them with resolute minds, with liberal hearts, and with open hands. The Church in this state has hitherto moved forward with gigantic strides, thrilling the hearts of churchmen with joy, and extorting admiration from all sections of our Zion. With majestic dignity, and a calm and prudent piety above all praise, she has apportioned this her favorite daughter, and assigned her to a separate and independent household. What is it now that demands our united efforts, prayers and liberality? That the Church in this diocese may grow in holiness, zeal and numbers, ex emplifying in her unity and peace the power of the gospel, combining the hearty and strenuous efforts of both clergy and laity in support of her distinctive principles and true interests, making daily inroads on the territories of sin and satan, carrying forward the Godlike design of enlightening and saving a benighted and perishing world, and commending herself to them that are without for the soundness of her doctrines, the steadiness of her worship, the faithfulness of her ministry, and the exemplary characters and lives of all her members.

To this end let us unite our prayers and efforts, and may the God of all grace so accept the one, and bless the other, that we may be permitted to see our Jerusalem in prosperity, all our lives long.

With this expression of my views and feelings I enter upon the

duties of this important station, confiding in the strength which cometh from above, and affectionately and earnestly imploring your daily prayers in my behalf.

WILLIAM H. DE LANCEY.

On motion of G. V. Sackett,

Resolved, That a Standing Committee on Finance, to consist of three members, be appointed by the chair to devise ways and means to defray the expenses of the Convention of the diocese.

The chair appointed Messrs. James Rees, Wm. S. De Zeng, and

Robert C. Nicholas on this committee.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Van Zandt,

Resolved, That copies of the several sermons preached by the Bishops during the session of this Convention, be requested for publication.

On motion of the Secretary,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the Rt. Rev. Alexander V. Griswold, D. D., Presiding Bishop, for the readiness with which he yielded to the request of this Convention, in the resolution of its primary meeting, that he would appoint the consecration of the Bishop Elect within this diocese.

Resolved, That "the Standing Committee on Finance be and are hereby directed to pay the sum of one hundred dollars to the Right Rev. the Presiding Bishop, to meet his travelling expenses in attend-

ing the consecration of the Rev. W. H. De Lancey, D. D.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Judd,

Whereas it is known to this Convention that there are many individuals and families belonging to the Church in this diocese, who live too remote from any place of public worship to be much benefitted by the public ministrations or services, or by the instruction or consolations of the ministry of the Church; therefore,

Resolved, That for the edification of the same, a committee of three be appointed to devise ways and means to support travelling missionaries, whose duty it shall be to visit, instruct, and console such members of this Church.

The chair appointed on this committee the Rev. Drs. Judd, and Hale, and Chester Griswold.

On motion of P. A. Proal,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the congregation of St. Peter's Church, and the inhabitants of the village of Auburn generally, for the hospitality so generously extended to its members during the present session; and that the Rector of St. Peter's Church, Auburn, be requested to give publicity to this resolution in such way as he may deem expedient.

On motion of the Secretary,

Resolved, That fifteen hundred copies of the proceedings of this

Convention be published under the direction of the Secretary: That he be directed to transmit to each of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Secretary of the last house of clerical and lay deputies in the General Convention, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention, and to every clergyman in this diocese, and to every clergyman in the diocese of New York, and to every lay delegate appointed to attend this Convention, a copy of the Journal: And that he forward by mail, unless otherwise directed, ten copies of the Journal to each parish in the diocese of Western New York.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Bostwick,

Resolved. That the Convention do now adjourn to meet again at half-past 7 o'clock, for divine service, this evening.

Whereupon the house took a recess until half-past 7 o clock.

## THURSDAY EVENING, 71 O'CLOCK.

Convention met. Evening prayers were read by the Rev. Dr. Sbelton, assisted by the Rev. Cicero S. Hawks, who read the lessons. The sermon was preached by the Rt. Rev. W. H. De Lancey, D. D., Bishop of the diocese.

The Convention being called to order by the Bishop, immediately after divine service, the minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved.

The Secretary then presented the following request of the Rt. Rev. the Bishops in attendance upon the consecration; which on his motion was ordered to be entered upon the minutes; as follows, viz:

"The Bishops in attendance for the consecration of the Bishop of the diocese of Western New York, ask leave to place on the Journal of the Convention, their grateful acknowledgment of the kind reception and cordial hospitalities that have met their visit to the village of Auburn."

On motion of the Rev. P. A. Proal,

Resolved, That the clergy of this diocese having cures within the same, be requested to make a collection in their respective parishes on or before the first Sunday in July next, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Convention, and transmit the same to William S. Philpot, Esq., Canandaigua, Treasurer of the Convention.

The house having, on motion of the Rev. N. B. Burgess; resolved to adjourn after the usual religious exercises, the Bishop of the diocese made the following

#### ADDRESS:

#### My Brethren:-

Before closing the present session of the Convention, allow me to express to you the grateful emotions with which I am impressed by your attendance on this occasion. The feelings of a stranger no longer possess my bosom. I am at home among you, made to feel so by the cordiality with which I have been welcomed by all. I am cheered by the conviction that in every section of the diocese I shall find those, who, in their kindness here, have given assurance of an equally cordial welcome in their parishes. As soon as the circumstances connected with the removal of my family will allow, I shall commence a visitation of the diocese. It will of course be a rapid one; my design being, if providence permit, to visit before the year closes, all the churches, for the purpose of obtaining a general view of the ground I am to aid you in cultivating. My appointments will be announced in the Gospel Messenger, in the warm approbation of which, expressed by my Rt. Rev. predecessor, I most cordially con-On Sunday next I expect to officiate and confirm at Geneva; on Monday evening, to preach at Syracuse; and on Wednesday, morning and evening, at Utica.

And now, brethren, in bidding one another farewell for a time, let us carry to our respective homes new incentives to exertion and zeal, derived from the solemnities which we have witnessed here. If God, as we verily trust, has indeed been present in this assembly of his Church, we may look in humble faith for the continuance of his blessing, so long as we ourselves are faithful to our respective engagements and duties. May his blessing rest on you and yours in all the relations of life and in all the concerns of eternity, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Convention having united in singing a portion of the 25th Hymn, and in appropriate prayers from the Liturgy by the Bishop; and having received his blessing, adjourned size die.

Signed by order of the Convention.

WILLIAM HEATHCOTE DE LANCEY,
Bishop of the diocese of Western New York, and
President of the Convention.

[Attest,]
PIEBRE ALEXIS PROAL, Secretary.

# APPENDIX.

#### No. I.

GENEVA, NOVEMBER 3, 1838.

Rev. WILLIAM H. DE LANCEY, D. D.— Reverend and Dear Sir:—

New York, held at this place on the 1st and 2nd days of November instant, you was unanimously elected Bishop of that diocese, and the undersigned were appointed a committee to wait upon you and communicate the proceedings of the Convention. We accordingly hand you herewith a certified copy of the Journal of that body relat-

ing to the subject.

It is impossible for us to express in terms adequate to our feelings, our gratitude to the Great Head of the Church for the entire unanimity of the result which we are the honored instruments of communicating. That individual preferences should be manifested on such an occasion, is the natural and inevitable consequence of that "blessed liberty with which Christ has made us free;" and that these preferences should at once and spontaneously yield on the very first ascertainment of the wishes of a decided majority, and melt into an unanimity almost unexampled, indicates a state of feeling most propitious to your successful ministration in the sacred office to which you are thus called.

We can only add our devout prayers that the "Comforter" will so influence your mind as to induce you to undertake the office of feeding the sheep" who have thus invited you to become their

Shepherd.

Your answer to this call, so soon as it may be convenient to furnish it, will be forwarded by us to the Standing Committee of the diocese of Western New York, that they may discharge the duty assigned them by the Convention, forthwith to take measures for your consecration.

We are, Reverend Sir,

Your faithful friends and servants.

[Signed]

BENJ. T. ONDERDONK, PIERRE ALEXIS PROAL, John C. Spencer. PHILADELPHIA, NOVEMBER 15, 1838.

To the Rt. Rev. Benj. T. Onderdonk, D. D., the Rev. Pierre A. Proal, and John C. Spencer, Esq.:

GENTLEMEN,-

I have received at your hands the communication informing me of my election to the Episcopate of the diocese of Western New York, accompanied by a certified copy of the proceedings of the Convention so far as they relate to the election.

Having humbly sought the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and had the counsel of pious and judicious friends, confirming my own conscientious views of the duty to God and the Church, which calls me, under the circumstances of the case, to accede to the unanimous desire of the Convention, I hereby express my readiness to accept the Episcopate of Western New York offered to me, through you, by the Convention of that diocese.

The decided majority which elected me, and the gratifying unanimity with which all so readily concurred in the decision, fortify me in the belief that, although a stranger to so many, I shall not only be received by the diocese with cordiality but experience in the discharge of my duties, the forbearing kindness, and cheerful co-operation of which the consciousness of many deficiencies, and a proper view of the responsibilities of the office make me sensible that I shall greatly need.

The circumstances of the choice, and the known character of the clergy and laity, assure me, also, that the fervent and united prayers of the diocese will ever seek for me the same divine guidance and support which sustained the exertions and the heavenly blessing which has so signally marked the Episcopal labours of my eminent and beloved predecessors, who are respectively cherished in the memories, and personally endeared to the hearts, of us all.

Fervently imploring the continual blessing of the Great Head of the Church on all the clergy and congregations of the diocese, and on yourselves personally,

I remain ever

Your sincere friend and brother,
WILLIAM HEATHCOTE DE LANCRY.

### APPENDIX.

#### No. II.

### LETTER OF CONSECRATION.

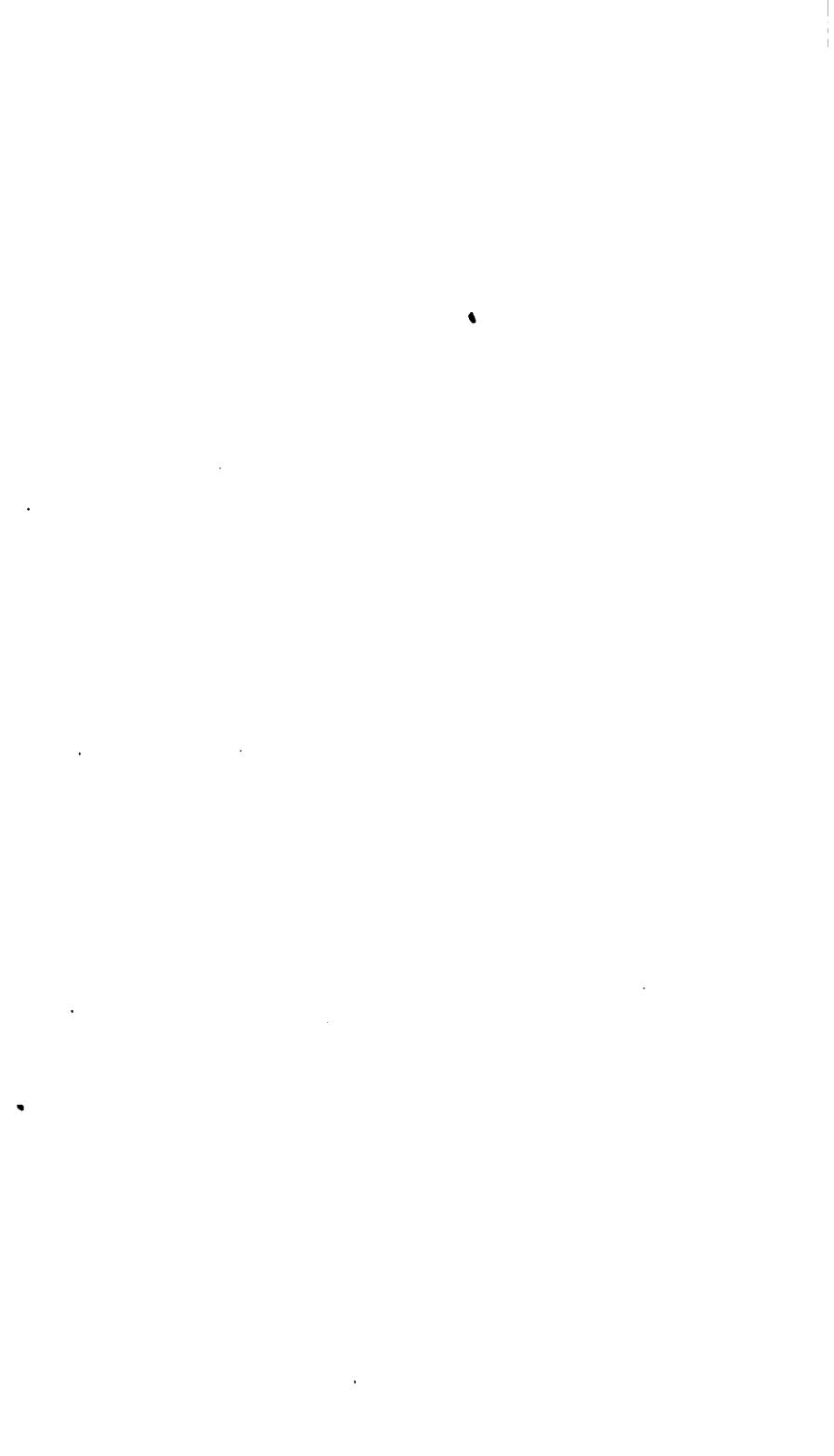
Know all men by these presents, that we, Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Eastern diocese, Presiding Bishop; Henry Ustick Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the diocese of Penn. sylvania; Benjamin Tredwell Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the diocese of New York; George Washington Doane, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the diocese of New Jersey; under the protection of Almighty God, in St. Peter's Church, in the town of Auburn, Cayuga county, in the diocese of Western New York, on Thursday the ninth day of May, being the Festival of the Ascension, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, did then and there, rightly and canonically consecrate our beloved in Christ, William Heathcote De Lancey, D. D., rector of St. Peter's Church in the city of Philadelphia, and diocese of Pennsylvania, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the office of Bishop, to be the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the diocese of Western New York, to which office he hath been duly elected by the Convention of the same.

Given at Auburn, Cayuga county, Western New York, the ninth day of May, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and

thirty-nine.

ALEXANDER VIETS GRISWOLD, [L.S.]
H. U. ONDERDONK, [L.S.]
BENJ. T. ONDERDONK, [L.S.]
G. W. DOANE. [L.S.]

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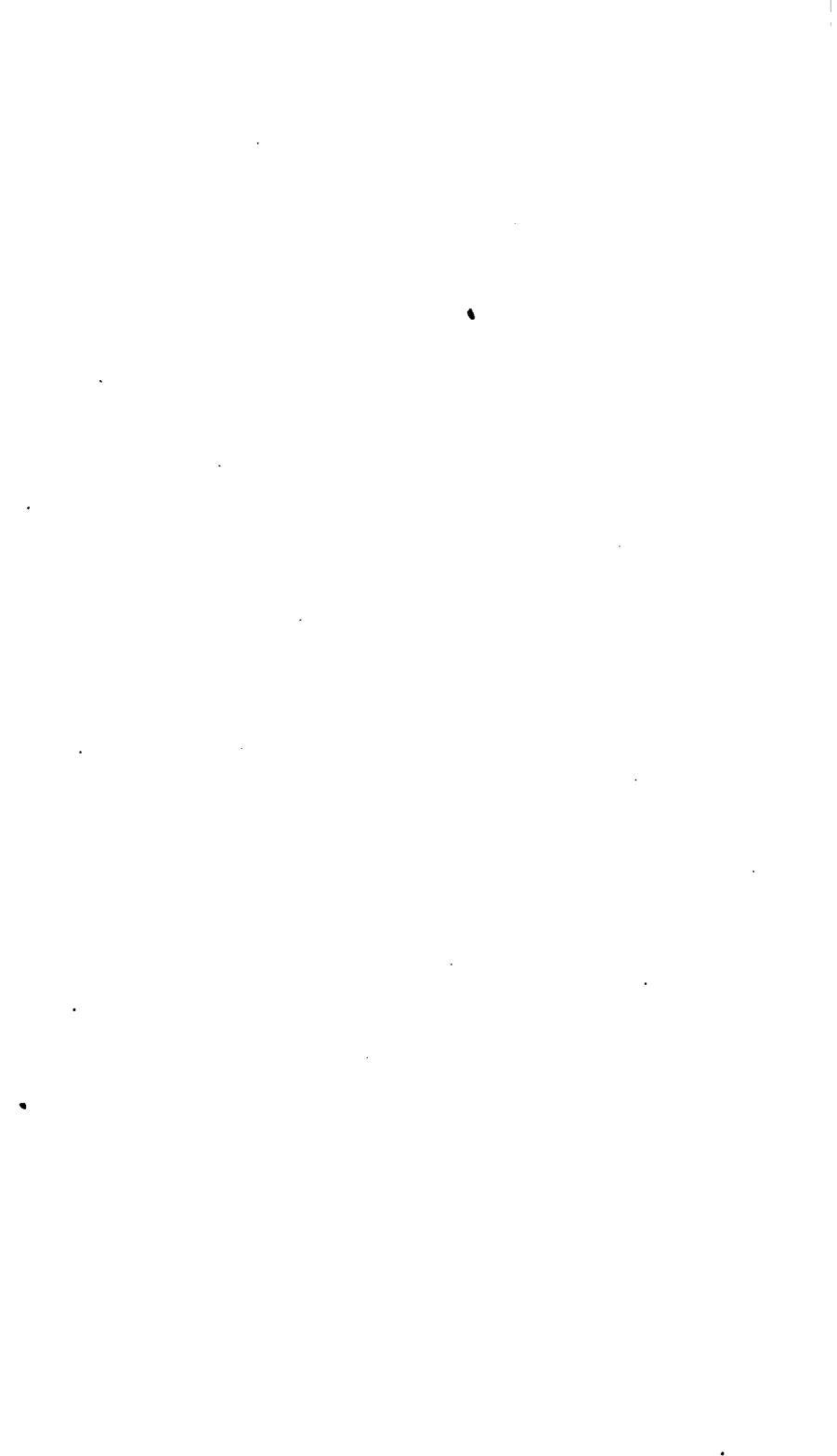
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### SERMON.

The Father of Lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turn, ing. Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of first-fruits of his creatures."—St. James, 1: 17, 18.

One of the employments of heaven, we infer from Scripture, will be, to enquire into the nature and perfections of God: when we shall no more see through a glass darkly, and cease to know in part, we shall know even as we are known. And no happier or more dignified study can occupy us while in this mortal state, than investigating so much of the divine nature and perfections as may be gathered from holy writ. The Saviour has declared it to be nothing less than "eternal life," to "know the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom he has sent."

Nor will such meditations be unappropriate to the occasion. recent formation of this new diocese, the second meeting of its Convention, and the expected consecration of its Bishop Elect, all direct us to the wonderful counsel and wonderful doings of "the Father of Lights," whose sovereign "will," acting without "variableness or shadow of turning," hath ordained the large and continued growth of this branch of his Church. Your preacher ministered in Western New York twenty years ago, and saw Jerusalem, as it were, "cast out in the open field," when almost "none eye pitied her:" but her Lord forgot her not; he has "decked her with ornaments;" she has "prospered into a kingdom;" her "renown for beauty has gone forth, for it is perfect through his comeliness which he hath put upon her." Pardon the illustration, if it be too strong. It comes from the heart of one who has not forgotten the deep affection which once bound him to this portion of the flock, when they were as a "few sheep in the wilderness," and who rejoices that now, through the benign "will" of "the Father of Lights," they have become numerous, and have large pas١

tures, and are to receive for their ruling shepherd a faithful brothes who ranks highest among the many faithful brethren placed by the Head of the Church under his supervision.

Proceeding to the elucidation of the text, we draw from it three topics, which we shall consider in order: 1. God is "the Father of Lights;" 2. with him is "no variableness, neither shadow of turning;" and 3. it is "of his own will" that he makes us the "first-fruits of his creatures." And may the Holy Spirit guide us, that we may discern and acknowledge the truth!

I. God is "the Father of Lights." Adverting to the same truth, St. John declares that "God is light, and in him is no darkness at all." The meaning is, that God is perfectly holy, and that not the least contamination of evil exists, or can exist, in his pure nature. A beautiful emblem of this truth is found in the record of the creation; "God said, let there be light, and there was light." Dwelling himself in supernal radiance, he spread a like brilliant mantle over the world. And that it might be preserved, he formed the great luminaries of the firmament. To the creation of these luminaries, it is probable, the apostle alluded, in declaring God to be "the Father of Lights;" he made. numerous fountains of day, but no orbs of darkness. So with spiritual light, of which these natural "lights" are an emblem. Its source is God himself. From himself, he shed upon every intelligent creature the light of holiness; which gave to the angels their pure "first estate;" and through which man was "made upright." And he continues to shed the holy radiance on all who have not finally rejected it,

To creatures formed with such capacities, the Almighty gives first the light of intellect, with the means of improving it; that their facul, ties may acquire the noble power for which they are conferred. In every creature so prepared, he implants the distinctive knowledge of good and evil, and so endows their minds, by his Spirit, that good, so far as they understand what is good, appears preferable and obligato, ry; this perpetual operation of the Spirit forming the conscience, and being what is termed the light of nature: always, through this divine gift, do all intelligent creatures feel bound to what, according to their best knowledge, they deem rectitude, till by degrees they may have become hardened in sin; and even then, through the same light not yet extinguished, remorse tells them it were better not to have preferred darkness. The Deity sheds also, through the Spirit, that further illumination which converts the fallen, and restores them to sanctity and

peace. The light of nature enters the soul unasked, without any volition of its own, by the mere appointment of God; so do primary measures of preventing grace: but the fuller light of grace enters only where the soul opens to it, and is willing to receive it. The Deity grants, moreover, the light of inspiration and revelation, having communicated to a few of his servants the knowledge of his will, and of eternal salvation through a crucified Redeemer, that they might publish to men, on celestial authority, what nature and reason could not teach them, and thus bring life and immortality to light. Such are the beams diffused through the moral world by the great moral luminary. Himself the centre and only fountain of holiness, he pours all abroad his divine rays, to scatter the darkness of evil, and dispel the clouds of misery. By this radiance, the victims of sin and misery are sanctified and cheered, are led to the Redeemer, through whom only they receive this whole favour, and are enabled to look beyond the gloom of their present state, and see in the better world the blissful countenance of "the Father of Lights."

Corresponding with this appellation of the Most High, is the opposite one of Satan. He is called "the power of darkness;" he and his follow demons are "the rulers of the darkness of this world." He prevails in our world because it has fallen and put itself under his dominion, thus making him the prince or god of this world. By spiritual darkness he maintains the ascendant, "blinding the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel should shine unto them." To remedy this evil, "the Father of Lights" gave his only begotten, to be the day-spring and the sun of righteousness to the world, and continually sends forth his Spirit, to call men out of darkness into his marvellous day. And if they obey the call, he will exalt them to the brighter beatitude of glory.

II. With the Father of Lights there is "no variableness, neither shadow of turning." Taking this declaration separately, without examining other Scriptures, or the peculiar sense of the words, or the context, we can imagine an argument to be built upon it for the immutability of God in every respect, and, as the unavoidable result, for the immutable ordination of every event. Such a doctrine includes the further tenet, that every creature is impelled forwards in a given track, irrevocably appointed him from the beginning. From this it would follow, that the human will is but an imaginary faculty; that what we account the determination of our own minds is in reality the constrain-

ing will of God, operating upon us insensibly, or rather, in an illuso, ry manner. A further consequence would be, that it is the divine power that leads men into sin, and hardens them in it, and then gives them over to perdition. And as all this was unchangeably decreed from eternity, it would be presumed that it is a glory of God to produce evil, and to inflict upon a rejected number of evil-doers an eternal penalty from which he allows them no possibility of escape. Such is the theology that flows from the doctrine that God is in every respect unchangeable. Your preacher is aware that some hold that doctrine, yet reject the consequences; but the consequences are just, they belong naturally to the doctrine; nor can they be separated from it without Shall we allow then such an interpretation of the unnatural violence. words, "with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning?"\* No, is our reply; we allow it not. It is forbidden by the general aspect of Scripture. Neither does it quadrate with the text or context.

From the general aspect of Scripture, we argue that God is not unchangeable in every matter. While men are under probation, he is "not willing that any should perish;" but when probation is past, he wills the perdition of the ungodly. Again: "When I shall say to the righteous, that he shall surely live; if he trust to his righteousness, and commit iniquity, he shall die for it: When I say unto the wicked, thou shalt surely die; if he turn from his sin, he shall surely live, he shall not die." Again: "The Lord is with you, while ye be with him; but if ye forsake him, he will forsake you." Yet again; Prayer is enjoined in Scripture; and the very doctrine of prayer is, that God has allowed some things to be contingent on our supplications. "Ye have not, because ye ask not;" because ye do not pray, not because the divine immutability is a bar. "Effectual fervent prayer availeth," and "availeth much;" but there could be no "avail," no real 'force'

<sup>\*</sup>Most of the commentators I have referred to, avoid this interpretation of the text. But it is quoted for the unchangeableness, generally, of God, in the notes to the Confession of Faith, (II. 1.) and to the Larger Catechism, Quest. 7. The same construction of it is, or has been, popularly current. Toplady, (p. 87.) quotes it in proof of "the unchangeableness which is essential to [God] himself." In the Confession, in the Catechism, and in Toplady, this text is cited with Mal. 3: 6; which refers to the immutability of God concerning one of his decrees. Doddridge, after drawing illustrations from the sun, proceeds, "But the immutable and everlasting God has condescended," &c., plainly sanctioning the popular interpretation of the passage.

(ioxyss) or efficacy in a petition, if God had already determined to do the very thing requested. Now, if the immutability of God be not such as to preclude the actual efficacy of prayer; if it be not such as to prevent his being with us under one condition, and forsaking us under another; if it be not such as to prohibit a sentence of life after a sentence of death, or a sentence of death after a sentence of life; if it be not such as to debar him from willing the perdition of one whose perishing he previously had not willed; then it is clear that he is not unchangeable in all things; he has not predetermined the characters Mutability in this point does not imply imperfection; for of men. equal perfection is manifested in viewing favourably through Christ a penitent, and unfavourably an impenitent. How far God is immutable, and how far not, we presume not to enquire. In some respects, we are assured there is "no variableness" with him. equally assured that in him there is no impediment whatever, whether open or occult, to our moral liberty, to our probation under real conditions, to our just and proper responsibility. "Return unto me, and I will return unto you." If we turn and repent, we are expressly allowed by the prophet to believe, that God "will return and repent, and leave a blessing behind him."

Neither does this wrong interpretation of the words before us quadrate with the text or context. The expressions—"no variableness, -neither shadow of turning "-do not refer to any general immutability of God, but are figurative illustrations, taken from certain astronomical facts, of his immutability in holiness. When the Deity, the Father of Lights, is declared never to vary, He, as the creator of the lights of heaven, is set in contrast with them; their light being in several particulars unstable and variable, but his for ever constant. Their brilliance alternates with darkness; but the divine beams never fail to shine into our hearts. Their orbs are dim or obscured when under a cloud, and have but feeble rays when rising or setting; only at the meridian do they pour down their complete effulgence: but the divine Luminary is never shorn of its pure and full splendour, it reigns over the highest circle of the earth, and there shines, for all who will look towards it, in perpetual meridian. The created lights, in their progress, undergo eclipses, and become as if absent from the earth; but God is never absent from those who seek for him, from those who wait for him as they that watch for the morning. the true sense in which God has neither variableness nor shadow of

turning. The words have no allusion to a supposed immutable decreed of either the course of things, or the courses of men. They mean only that He is immutable in holiness, and in communicating holiness to all who will receive it.

Looking into the context, we find that the very matter before the Apostle was, that the Deity is the author of good only, not of evil in any degree. "Let no man say, when he is tempted, I am tempted of God; for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man; but every man is tempted when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed:" temptation comes not from the Father, though it be permitted by him for the trial of his creatures. On the contrary, the Apostle continues,—when evil inclination is urgent, far from ascribing it to Heaven, we must then more than ever bear in mind that from Heaven is sent "every good and every perfect gift," to strengthen us in the hard conflict, and keep us from swerving from goodness and perfection: good and perfect gifts, these only, and not evil inclinations, are "from above, and come down from the Father of Lights." They descend, at such moments, in peculiar abundance, on all who exclude them not; and all should then rouse their whole faith, lest they imagine that God will not blame them for yielding, because the temptation, being severe, may be thought to proceed from his immutable purpose. Not He tempts not; he has no immutability of that sort. But, because his purity and perfection are without the least variableness or shadow of change, he visits them with his power, especially when these tried, that they may not vary from rectitude, or 'turn' to folly, but be holy as he is holy.

III. It is "of God's own will," that he makes us the "first-fruits of his creatures." Of any imagined unchangeableness of the divine "will," we have sufficiently disposed. And we now proceed to the remark, that in no case is the will of God to be regarded as strictly exbitrary and irrespective; that is, as entirely without motive; for, concerning one of the darkest dispensations, the apostle exclaimed, "O the depth of the riches of the wisdom of God;" clearly implying that God had a motive, though it was "unsearchable" and "past finding out." We affirm therefore, that he doubtless had a reason for producing creation; a reason for making part of his creatures immortal; a reason for making man upright at the first, and for redeeming him when fallen. He doubtless has a reason for leaving the human will free; and he declares the reason now, and will show it more fully in the day of judge-

intent, for rewarding or condemning men, according to their use or abuse of this freedom. He has moreover a reason for extending the light of the true religion only gradually through the world; some nations enjoying it first, others afterwards, and yet others waiting for it thro' many ages. In no case, we repeat, do we account the will of God to be really arbitrary and without motive,\* In most cases, indeed, the reasons of his actions are unknown to men, as in giving some the gospel, and not giving it to others; while in at least one particular case, that relating to our personal salvation or perdition, the reasons for awarding either portion are sufficiently declared. Where we are left ignorant of the motives of the Almighty, we regard his will as, not arbitrary, but inscrutable. But as he has revealed that we are to be accepted through Christ, or rejected, according as our works shall be, it is plain that the divine will concerning that matter is neither arbitrary nor inscrutable, for it has motives, and they are adequately explained. ‡

Keeping in view the distinction between the inscrutable and the known or explained will of God, no important question of doctrine is involved in the exposition of the remainder of the text: it may be understood; either of the privileges conferred by an introduction into the Church, through the inscrutable divine will; or of the personal graces acquired by its worthy members, through the divine will explained to us: "of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of first-fruits of his creatures." Both views of the passage are taken; that referring it to the Church, and that referring it to personal graces. Each of them is tenable and sound, and internally consistent; and it is possible that both applications were intended, as in the Lord's prayer, the petition, "thy kingdom come," refers to both the kingdom of the church and the kingdom of grace in the soul, besides to the kingdom of glory.

1. Assuming the former interpretation, the apostle déclares that God Had taken the converts to whom he wrote, or all the converts of that

<sup>\*</sup> See Appendix.

<sup>†</sup> Dark providences overtaking the godly appear inscrutable; but viewed as "chastisements for their profit," that they might be partakers of God's holiness, their motive is sufficiently clear.

t The word Boulnot, "of his own will," is rendered by Castalio, consulto, 'advisedly, deliberately, considerately,' &c.: "advisedly he begat us." Compare this with the translation of Beza, quin voluit, "because he would, he begat us." Both renderings are paraphrastic.

age, into the gospel Church, before the millions of others who would enter it in all succeeding ages, and had thus made them his "firstfruits." What was the origin of so great a distinction conferred on them? It was "of God's own will," replies the apostle. Yet not a will arbitrary and irrespective: for though he has no where divulged it, he doubtless had a motive, for calling Abraham, rather than any other individual, to found his select Church; for calling the Israelites, rather than the other posterity of that patriarch, to constitute that Church; and for calling first into the Christian fold such of the Jews as would hearken and be converted: the grounds of these divine proceedings remain seeret. Secret also is his reason for calling the Gentiles, when the body of the Jews rejected the gospel: St. Paul terms it a "mystery." And equal mystery there is in the advantages enjoyed at this day by the nations of Christendom, while the far greater portion of the world has not yet attained those benefits of the gospel. For men to know the reasons of the will of God in such matters, would but nourish their curiosity, and might perhaps open to them things too high for them, which, -with their imperfect faculties, they could not comprehend. It is enough for us, to be assured that all these matters are ordered by a wisdom infinitely superior to ours. It is enough for us, to know that me have the gospel, and that, whatever be the fate of others, we must improve that gospel, and must abide by its precepts through life, and by its reward or its punishment in eternity. It is enough to certify us of the equity of God, towards those who are without Christianity, that he has disclaimed reaping where he has not sown, or gathering where he has not strawed: mysterious and dark as the case of the heathen may be, God hath declared that men are to be accepted, not according to that they have not, but according to that they have. The Redeemer "tasted death for every man," individually; (very waves;) so that none are. excluded from salvation merely because they were not, or are not, gathered within the Christian pale. Nevertheless, to be within that pale is an unspeakable benefit; and that we are there, and others not, comes of the inscrutable "will" of God. Those he brought into the church whem he had "predestinated to the adoption of children, according to the good pleasure of his will:" his will, his benevolent' will, brought the first converts into his covenant, adopting them as his covenant children, and others after them, and continues to bring yet others, and will so continue, till all shall know him from the least unto the greatest. In all that relates to the benefits of the church-estate, we acknowledge

the inscrutable "will" of God, acting according to his inscrutable "wiedom."

In this application of the verse, the word "begat" refers to the sacramental regeneration of baptism, which is called the "washing of regeneration," and in which we are "born [again] of water," and receive "the adoption of sons." In that rite, the Holy Ghost is the supreme agent, and the minister the instrument; "by one Spirit we are all baptized into one body." Not that moral grace is tied to that ordinance; but that it brings men into a new relation to God, the relation of his covenant children; which new relation, God being one of the parties, none but God, through his Spirit, can ratify.

The "word of truth" was the means of bringing the early converts into the church estate; they heard the gospel, and were so convinced of its truth, as to come to the regenerating font.

And thus they became the "first-fruits of God's creatures." The great harvest of the world not being yet ripe, the church hitherto gathered, and particularly the small early church, is but as the first-firuits" of it; like the handful of wheat anciently brought to the temple, and offered to God, before the whole field was gathered. The first-fruits, also, were accounted the choice portion of the returns of the year; and the church, collectively, is better than the rest of mankind,

2. We have yet to offer the other interpretation, that the apostle alludes to the personal graces of the worthy among his converts, in the expression, "first-fruits of God's creatures." Again, therefore, we ask, how came they to this holy and happy condition? The answer is in the same words as before,—"of God's own will." But we do not now interpret them of a will in any sense arbitrary, or properly inscrutable; for we learn from Scripture some at least of the principles upon which it was God's will to confer grace on them. Fundamentally, the whole favour came from the love of God, from God's love granted through Christ; his atonement and obedience being the sole meritorious cause. But secondarily, the favour was granted on conditions: and it is in the fulfilment of these conditions, that the Christian becomes eminent in grace, and ripe for glory. And our knowledge in this department of the will of God is so important that we never think of its serving our curiosity; it is of vital benefit, showing us how to work out our salvation, through the merits of Christ, and with the help of the Spirit. the known will of God, that he bestows grace freely on all who pray for it, and accept it. It is equally known, that it is not the will of God to

force any to accept it; renewing grace, though always ready, is actually received by those only whose hearts are set in order for eternal life. They are moved by the Spirit to make this beginning, they are helped by him in making it, and it is only in his strength that either a beginning or progress can be effected; but the Spirit will not constrain human perverseness, the heart must yield itself to his power; and those whom. God "foreknew" to have such a heart, "he predestinated to be conformed to the [moral] image of his Son." Such is the clear will of God, declared plainly and constantly in the Bible. Why then, is it objected, why are we at all pointed to the divine "will," as the cause of our gracious attainments? We answer: to prevent our imagining that we procure further grace through the merit of our past obedience of the A godly person might inconsiderately argue, that, as he had improved the gifts already conferred, he must be worthy of a new and larger measure of them. Or, though granting that he had no proper merit to plead for salvation, but must rely on the Saviour alone, he yet might deem it equitable that, for Christ's sake, new grace be imparted when the former grace had been improved. Not so. We never rank as claimants, whether of right or in equity; the most perfect may justly be left by God as they are, deprived of further progress; the merit of Christ must flow perpetually in their behalf; and the "will" of God, founded on that merit, must perpetually act afresh for their increasing sanctification through the Spirit. Salvation through the cross is granted on the condition of faith and repentance, yet the fulfilment of the condition does not make salvation less the free gift of God; as his allowing many worldly favours to the prudent and industrious, does not make those favours, however great the prudence and industry, come any the less from his providence, from his "will." Just so we are referred to his "will" for our every step in grace. If we increase in virtue, we may expect to increase yet more; but we must ever regard our doing so as a new and undescreed mercy from "the Father of lights."

Thus expounding the verse, of sanctifying gifts, the word "begat" will refer to the moral new birth, higher than the sacramental, by which we are renewed in the spirit of our minds, and which is a gradual change, beginning as the general rule insensibly, advancing while we remain on earth, and made perfect when we are new-born from the grave.

And "the word of truth," the great means of effecting this change, has, in producing it, a much deeper efficacy than when it leads only to

the outward profession of the Gospel. The divine "word" is then found what it was declared to be by the Saviour: "the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life."

Christians thus renewed in heart are the "first-fruits of God's creatures," in a higher sense than as merely belonging to his Church. In one of the apocalyptic visions, we learn that those who sing the new song before the throne are those who "were redeemed from among men, being the first-fruits unto God and to the Lamb." We read also of "the Church of the first-born, which are written in heaven." Such language, applied to the eternal bliss of the earthly saint, is only that of hope and anticipation, there being no infallibility in his perseverance; for names may be blotted out of the book of life. If angels in their first estate, dwelling in heaven, and before the very presence of God, could so disobey as to sink to the everlasting doom, no fallen man, be he ever so ripe in grace, should rank himself indefectibly among the "first-fruits to God and to the Lamb." His case is full of hope; but elet him that thinketh he standeth, always take heed lest he fall."

In conclusion, brethren: Who can reflect that God is "the Father of lights," the fountain of holiness, holiness itself, pure and unspotted, and not desire fervently that this holy light fill his soul? In God is no darkness at all: who can think of this truth, and look on the prevailing night within him, and not sink with shame in comparing his character with that of his Maker?

Who can reflect that the divine holiness is without "variableness or shadow of turning," and not perceive that no favour can be allowed the sinner, till that holiness be vindicated, by an atoning sacrifice which shall protect it from disparagement in granting him lenity? Who can think of such holiness, and not acknowledge that it never can see merit in even the most reclaimed fallen being, but only in the perfect man Christ Jesus? Who can meditate on that immutable holiness, and not feel that it must be impossible for God to accept the unrepentant sinner; since to do so would be in Him the very mutability disclaimed? What a motive to be conformed, without delay, to his pure image; to turn at once from iniquity, and forsake our dearest sin, and conquer our most inveterate folly, lest death come unawares, and we find, to our everlasting amazement, that God is without a "shadow of change" towards those who are brought into judgment unreconciled!

Finally: As the Church is a body appointed by the "will" of God,. it is the duty of all to honour it as a divine institution. Whatever is

ordained of his inscrutable "will," ought to be reverenced implicitly, and not subjected to the queries and cavils of our feeble judgment. Though we are allowed to see many advantages in the formation of the Church, its entire object is not revealed; and it is plain that so far as any thing is ordered by a hidden divine wisdom, it is but folly to ask the reasons for it.—As also the renewing of our minds flows from the "will" of the Most High, let it encourage and comfort us that the sanctifying benefit results not from chance, nor yet from our unstable inclinations and imperfect forecast, but from the unerring and benign counsel of the omniscience of Jehovah. Deeply should we rejoice, that the concerns of the soul, as fully as the events of providence, are under heavenly cognisance; that He, without whom a sparrow falleth net to the ground, has made full and determined provision for the spiritmal and eternal interests of all who neglect them not; that his "will" -not arbitrarily, but in wisdom-not irrespectively, but conditionallythat his "will" is continually active in affording the grace by which the new man is begotten within us, and our hearts created in his own pure image.

"For these so great benefits of his eternal goodness," be everlasting praise to "the Father of lights!"

Brethren,—the members of this Convention:—

As I belong not to your body, I presume not to offer advice concerning the affairs of this Council of the Church. But I most affectionately bid you, God speed. You commence your career, as a Diocese, with great unanimity, with noble and stirring recollections of the past, and with bright prospects for the future. Here,—where the honoured Hobart was called from his trust to his reward,—you are to have placed over you an eminent and devoted servant of God; one who is "an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity;" one who is an example of Churchmen, in both principle and practice, in all things that pertain to the Church Catholic and Apostolic. And he receives the Diocese at the hands of a predecessor who has well prepared it for [further sound and efficient cultivation as a vineyard which the Lord hath planted. Bless God for the large expectations of happiness he mercifully allows you. may God bless your Bishop and you, and those who shall come after both, to the end of time!

#### APPENDIX.

On the point that the will of God never acts without a reasonable motive, some further remarks may be proper. The contrary is the popular and prevalent opinion. But in the British Critic for April, 1828, (p. 329,) it is conceded, that "no well-informed Calvinist ever maintains that, in the divine counsels, the arbitrary will of the Almighty stands in the place of right or reason. On the contrary, he affirms, that however arbitrary and despotic the purposes of God may appear to us, they are, in truth, founded on the purest equity and righteousness; and that, at the great day, the justice of all his proceedings will be made abundantly manifest to the universe,"

This remark, I believe, is true, yet inconclusive. For the will of God is also said, by such Calvinists, to be without cause, i. e., without motive; which neutralizes the other assertion. Or, it is said to have no motive out of God; which only changes the motive from will to self; and which offers no ground for the operation of holiness, love, mercy, justice, since these attributes can only act on beings out of God, either actually or prospectively. And the unavoidable result is, that the doctrine of a simply arbitrary divine will is so inadequately modified that it virtually remains unimpaired.

Toplady, for example, alledges that God, "from everlasting, peremptorily ordained to suffer the fall of Adam," but "for reasons, without doubt, worthy of himself, and of which we are, by no means, in this life, competent judges." (p. 115.) But he had already said, (p. 77,) "the will of God is so the cause of all things, as to be itself without cause; for nothing can be the cause of that which is the cause of every thing." "Nothing out of God, i.e., exterior to himself, can possibly induce him to will or will one thing rather than another." The only reacon, then, that can be assigned, why the Deity does this, or omits that, is, because it is his own free pleasure." (p. 78.) And he quotes from Luther, "God is a Being, whose will acknowledges no cause." "His will is the rule of all things. He did not therefore will such and such things, because they were in themselves right, and he was bound to will them; but they are therefore equitable and right, because he wills them. The will of man indeed may be influenced and moved; but God's will never can." How does this comport with Toplady's admission, that God had "reasons, worthy of himself?" He further quotes from Bucer "God has no other motive for what he does, than ipea voluntae, his own mere will; which will is so far from being unrighteous, that it is justice itself." How can "justice" act without a subject, having a moral character? That subject is out of God; and that moral character is a motive out of God, for the action of his just will. Toplady again appeals to Luther, (p. 79,) "this mightily offends our rational nature, that God should, of his mere unbiassed will, leave some men to themselves, harden them, and then condemn them." This is the prevalent tone

of Calvinism, the "mere unbiassed will" of Ged; and with such a key note, the assertion that he has "reasons worthy of himself," makes only discord. The tone of the doctrine is loud, too powerful to be drowned by the feeble accompaniment. The edition of Toplady is, New-York, 1811.

Calvin also combines the two dogmas, that God's will has no reference to things without, yet is "guided by equity," at least in the case of the reprobate; against which combination of propositions the same objection lies. God's equity is in himself; but the exercise of it must be on beings without, who are under circum. stances external to him. I quote from Allen's translation of the Institutes. (Phil. 1816, v. 2.) "The word purpose undoubtedly implies that God, as the author of our salvation, dues not go out of himself." (p. 433.) "He positively denies that he will have mercy on one rather than another, from any other motive than his own pleasure." (434.) "This oracle, 'I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and I will show mercy on whom I will show mercy,' is equivalent to a declaration, that God is excited to mercy by no other motive than his own will to be merciful." (437.) "For when God is said to harden or show mercy to whom he pleases, men are taught by this declaration to seek no cause beside his will." (441.) In this way the foundation of the doctrine is laid. And, on a common sense view of the language, it would appear that the mere arbitrary will of God is the foundation of all events. But there is a latent exposition: "the will of God is the highest rule of justice," "the highest standard of perfection, even the law of all laws." (pp. 444, 447.) Now, that the will of God is the rule, the standard, the law, for the wills of all creatures, is clear and sound theology; but that it is the rule, the stand. ard, the law, for his own justice, or any other of his moral attributes, involves an incongruity. The moral attributes are principles, and the divine will is a determination in conformity with those principles; and to make the determination a "rule" for the principles, is to reverse the order of things, and put the foundation above the superstructure.

So difficult is it to maintain consistency between the two propositions, that the divine will has a motive or cause, yet that it is out of God, that Calvin writes on this latter point in a contradictory manner. Besides alleging that in the salvation of the elect, God "does not go out of himself," (which, by the way, entirely excludes conditions,) he had declared that, for the hardening of the reprobate, we are to "seek no cause beside his will." Yet he afterwards writes, (451,) the perdition depends on the divine predestination in such a manner, that the cause and matter of it are found in themselves." Is not the contradiction palpable? The distinction between the remote and preximate cause, will not avail; for if the latter (the wickedness of the reprebate) be a real "cause," it is one out of God. Or if it be in God, i.e., if it spring from his eternal purpose, it becomes absorbed in the ultimate cause, his alleged will, and so is not a "cause," properly speaking, but a mere antecedent of perdition.

A larger extract will show the two-fold incongruity,—of arguing that the divine ordination is "guided" by equity, after declaring that it makes equity,—and of placing the "ground" and "source" and "origin" of condemnation in main, after avowing that it has "no cause beside God's will." (p.452.) "The reprobate wish to be thought excusable in sinning, because they cannot avoid a necessity of sinning; especially since this necessity is laid upon them by the ordination of God.

But we deny this to be a just excuse; because the ordination of God, by which they complain that they are destined to destruction, is suided by equity, unknown indeed to us, but indubitably certain. Whence we conclude, that they sustain no misery that is not inflicted upon them by the most righteous judgment of God. In the next place, we maintain that they act preposterously, who, in seeking for the origin of their condemnation, direct their views to the secret recesses of the divine counsel, and overlook the corruption of nature, which is its real source. The testimony God gives to his creation prevents their imputing it to him. For though, by the eternal providence of God, man was created to that misery to which he is subject, yet the ground of it he has derived from himself, not from God; since he is thus ruined, solely in consequence of his having degenerated from the pure creation of God to vicious and impure depravity." Here we find "equity" and "righteous judgment" in action: on what can they act, but on beings out of God, and through considerations external to him? Accordingly we find the "condemnation" of the reprebate ascribed to their "corruption of nature," as its "origin," its "real source:" and the "ground" of this "misery," man has "derived from himself not from God." Now, the 'ground of the misery,' the \*source and origin of the condemnation,' must be the ground, source, origin, i. e. motive, of the action of the divine "equity" and "righteous judgment" in the case. And by that "equity" the divine "ordination" or will is "guided." So that the divine will is "guided" or moved by considerations, as a "ground, source, origin," which are out of the Deity. If it be alleged, that the 'corruption of human nature' was decreed by the Almighty, and so was in himself; then, his will, not that "corruption," was the 'real source, and ground, and origin' of the "condemnation;" which would destroy Calvin's reply to the objection of the reprobate.

The theory, that salvation and condemnation, and every thing connected with them, are for God's glory, means that they are for the display of that glery to the creatures; and so the motive is (in part at least) external to God, and of such a nature that his creatures can see it to be so.

On the whole, therefore, I conclude, that the concession of the British Critic is unavailing. If the will of God has a just, or equitable, or benign metive, that motive, is, so far, from out of himself. If not, it is simply arbitrary, and without a motive, other than sic volo, sic jubeq.

P. S. Allowing that all agree that the divine will always has a motive, there still remains the point, whether, in the case of human salvation or rejection, that motive is declared, or so declared that Christianity—to say nothing of natural religion—makes it sufficiently known to establish the doctrine of real CONDL-TIONS, to be performed be men, with the help of the Spirit of God. Without real and unequivocal conditions, men are not truly in a state of probation.

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### SERMON.

Besides those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the Churches.—2 Corinthians xi. 28.

St. Paul is warning his Corinthian brethren against the false teachers, who, with a specious appearance of sanctity and zeal, were endeavouring to subvert the faith of those about them. These hypocritical pretenders maintained their influence among the people by constantly sounding their own praise, and magnifying the power of their assumed ministry. St. Paul has reluctant recourse to meeting their vanity in a way which, however just in itself, was rendered unpleasant to him by its apparent opposition to the Christian meekness and humility that distinguished him. As there was danger, however, that the mass of the people might be imposed upon by the proud boasting of his enemies, he thought it proper to convince them that on the ground of labour and suffering for their sakes, his claim to their confidence and affection was far superior to that of the false teachers. accordingly speaks of his not having urged his right to the support. that was due him as a minister of religion; and yet of the fidelity and perseverance with which he devoted himself to their spiritual interests. He reminds them of the dangers and persecutions through which he had passed, the hunger, thirst, and weariness that he had endured, and the relentless malice of open enemies, and the galling cruelty of faithless friends, which he had suffered; and then concludes in the words of the text, "Besides those things that are without"—besides these external labours and sufferings,-"that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches,"—the constant labour, solicitude, and anxiety, connected with the office which I hold in the Church of ` Christ.

The expression, "that which cometh upon me," possesses, in the original, the greatest possible force. It contains the idea of being be-

set or encountered as by an overwhelming host, and therefore indicates the magnitude and pressure of the Apostle's labours, cares, and anxieties.

The character of the holy apostles presents a most interesting subject of reflection under three heads: the first arising out of their office generally as ambassadors of God!; the second out of their more particular function as the highest order of the ministry; and the third out of the peculiar circumstance of their having been the first sent to brave the prejudices and passions of a wicked world, and preach the religion of the cross.

To the sufferings and persecutions which they endured, they were peculiarly exposed by their sustaining the last of these characters, and engaging so faithfully, under its special disadvantages, in their high and holy duties as ministers of Christ. "The care of all the Churches," with the mention of which St. Paul closes the account of his labours, sufferings, and anxieties, came upon him by virtue of his station as a member of the highest order of the ministry.

In their general office, the apostles were the first of a body of men which, as the christian ministry, has been handed down to our day, and is to continue, by uninterrupted succession, unto the end of the world. As members of the highest order of the ministry, they held a station clothed with dignity and power superior to those connected with two lower orders, and which was to remain permanently in the Church, with its original distinction, and to constitute the particular channel through which was to flow the authority, conferred on them immediately by Christ himself, to impart the ministerial office.

This is the sum of the catholic doctrine respecting the Apostolic office, and its succession to the end of the world. In certain duties and prerogatives of that office, considered generally as of the Christian ministry, all christian ministers succeed to it; but in precedence of station, supremacy in government, and especially the power of transmitting the ministerial succession, it is held solely by the highest order of the ministry.

This doctrine has proof of its divinity in Holy Scripture and primitive catholic reception.

Besides the original twelve, there were seventy commissioned by our Lord to preach his gospel. These, however, were obviously placed in inferiority to the Apostles; and especially were not included with them in the plenary commission which Christ gave to them

as he had received it from the Father, and which contained the blessed promise,—recognising and securing their continuance through and in successors, to the world's end,—that he would be with them even unto that consummation. In all the ordinations recorded in Scripture, in which the agents are mentioned, they were apostles only, although the seventy, and subsequently the seven deacons, and other 'elders and deacons were also vested with ministerial powers. In two passages in St. Paul's Epistles to Timothy, in which he may appear to a superficial reader to advocate both this doctrine, and that which extends the right of ordination to every minister, there is a marked difference between them having a very important bearing on their true import. "Neglect not," he says to Timothy, "the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery."\* The original word here properly translated "with," denotes mere assent or agreement." "Stir up the gift of God," he says to him in another place, "which is in thee by the putting on of my hands."† Here the original word rendered "by" denotes a cause or efficient operation. Timothy, then, received the gift of his office by the laying on of St. Paul's hands. He put him into that office; however the solemnity may have been attended with the laying on of the hands of others in certification of their consent to the act.

When St. Paul addressed the elders of the Ephesian Church,‡ he said not a word of the just exercise of discipline, or of care in admitting persons into the ministry; but simply exhorted them as pastors of their respective flocks. But when he wrote to Timothy, one of the ministers of that city, he reminded him that he left him there as a special overseer; gave him directions for the choice of suitable persons to fill the offices of elders and deacons; and particularly exhorted him to "lay hands suddenly on no man."

In all the details of the duties of elders, nothing is said of that most important ministerial act, imparting the ministerial commission. Yet, in addition to the case of Timothy, Titus was told that he was "left in Crete" to "set in order the things that" were "wanting, and ordain elders in every city;" and was particularly directed as to the proper qualifications of those whom he should ordain.

The angels of the churches mentioned in the Revelation were evi-

<sup>\* 1</sup> Tim. 4:14. +2 Tim. 1:6. | Acts 20:17-35. | Titus 1:5.

dently ministers of those churches, sustaining, each to his respective Church, a connection vesting him with such an influence, such a power, and such a responsibility, as that the character of that Church was mainly owing to him; so that he received commendation for what in it was praiseworthy, and he the blame, reproof, and threatening, which were due for its departures from the right way. And yet no one will contend that there were not more than a single pastor in each of these churches. Their pastors were numerous; but in each, one is addressed as its representative, and its responsible officer. This one, then, must have filled a station to which both pastors and people owed allegiance, and which thus enabled him to exert over them a controlling influence.

This is a brief view of the Scripture ground for the catholic doctrine that the power of general superintendence in the Church of God, and especially of admitting men into the divine ministry, was not given by our Lord and his Apostles to ministers generally, but to a chief order among them, in which, in the fullest sense, the apostolic succession was to be transmitted to the end of the world.

Correborative of this claim to Scripture authority, is evidence drawn from the primitive records of the church. This evidence, usually denominated tradition, is far from being adduced as comprising a separate and independent rule of faith. This unchristian abuse of it by a large and influential body of Christians has excited against it, in the minds of others, a prejudice decidedly unfavourable to a rational and enlightened study of Holy Scripture, and investigation of religious truth.

Every well informed christian who has a just and enlightened appreciation of the great protestant principle that religious truth is to be ascertained by a careful examination of Scripture, and embraced as the result of intelligent conviction, must be aware that from the peculiar structure which God has been pleased to give to His revealed word, and from the necessity, in the dispensations of His wise and good providence, of its being brought to the knowledge of the great body of Christians, only through translations of man's effecting, and therefore sharing the imperfection unavoidable in every thing human, there must be much of study and diligent and careful inquiry, in order to the full understanding and due appreciation of its invaluable contents. The present occasion does not call for a studied irradiation of this interesting particular in the ordering of God's ways to man. It

may, however, be remarked, in passing, that it is in gracious accordance with the design, wise in itself, and fraught with enjoyment and happiness of the highest order to our race, of having our religion an intelligent one, a principle calling into action all the best powers of our nature—a homage paid by human intellect to the sovereignty of Divine wisdom, right, and mercy—an offering, in gratitude, meckness, and devotion, to their great Author, of the very best properties with which He has endowed our nature.

In prosecution of the high and momentous duties thus devolving upon us, we need to bring to our study and investigation of God's holy book, such rules of interpreting and understanding it, as will aid us in the momentous enterprise, and secure for the decisions to which it may lead us, the reasonable assurance of their being enlightened and correct.

Among the most valuable and important of such rules ranks tradition, or the light thrown on our inquiries by primitive catholic principles and usages.

It is a moral certainty, which a truly reasonable mind can hardly fail to admit as a safe postulate, that while the Apostles lived, and while they lived whom the Apostles deemed meet to be admitted to government and ministration in the Church of God, yes, and while yet the memory and influence of their personal services yet lingered among christians—especially considering that the outward state of the Church was then such as to give it sad but wholesome experience of the purifying influence of the fires of affliction and of persecution—no general or even extensive departure from the primitive model of faith, order, and duty, in important matters, can be thought probable, or hardly possible.

I have said that this is a principle which a truly reasonable mind can hardly fail to admit as a safe postulate. I may go farther, and say that it is a principle admitted and acted on by christians generally. When the duty of dedicating children to Christ in baptism is questioned on the ground of there not being a positive precept in the New Testament, requiring it, what friend to that delightful, comfortable, and highly useful doctrine, hesitates to assume, as ground of the strongest and most enlightened confidence in its Divine truth, that the fair inferences in its favour drawn from holy writ amount to positive proof, when it is found that the Church universal, when it must have best known the will of Christ and His Apostles, received the doctrine,

and uniformly and devoutly acted upon it? What friend, too, to the application to the first day of the week of Heaven's high behest for the sanctification of the seventh of our time, will hesitate to look through the medium of well established primitive catholic observance, on the incidental notices which the New Testament affords of the hallowing of that day, and thence conscientiously to regard it as, therefore, claiming to be viewed as a divine ordinance? Nay: even in the great fundamental mystery of the doctrine of the Holy Trinity, the mightiest champions who have entered the lists with plausible and presumptuous opposers, when they have demolished all the objections furnished by cavils, called criticisms on the sacred text, so boldly marshalled against the truth of God, have not failed to confirm their victory by an exhibition of the strong and varied evidence afforded by ancient history that that cardinal truth was held in all its fulness as an essential article of faith, made fundamental in all provisions for worship, and incorporated with the holiest affections of evangelical devotion, at a time when Christians must have known whether it was true or false.

This mode of argument, thus general among the friends of evangelical truth, is founded on the obvious principle that in matters of importance, it is morally impossible that the great body of Christians, in the first ages of the Church, should have erred from that system of evangelical truth, order, and duty, which Christ and His Apostles established and approved. We do not thus set up an authority to establish right, and enforce its observance; but we do see in it one of the fairest rules for the due understanding of the sense of Scripture, where there may appear uncertainty or ambiguity in its letter.

The application of the same rule, also, it ought in justice to be remarked, very materially aids the enlightened protestant in detecting and exposing the errors of the Church of Rome. He sees no occasion for joining in the unreasonable, not to say ungodly, desire to repudiate tradition as such. He is thankful to God for the hely, interesting, and satisfactory light which He, in mercy, has thus caused to shine on the path of christian faith and duty; and gratefully using, would devoutly guard against the abuse, of this as of every other blessing. He places it not in the stead of the revealed word, neither does he raise it to an equality with it. Such procedures he knows full well are in unchristian opposition to the fundamental gospel principle of the sufficiency of Scripture for man's guidance in all that concerns his

right believing; and his conforming to the holiness and virtue of the evangelical system. But, as before observed, he receives this light as a guide which the Divine Inspirer has graciously provided in the studies, investigations, and meditations consecrated to the ascertaining of the true meaning of what He has caused to be written for our learning; humbly supplicating on that, as on every other means of attaining to a correct knowledge of holy writ, that heavenly blessing without which all means are valueless.

Thus, honestly protesting against the Romish error of regarding tradition as a rule of faith, he adheres, nevertheless, to the great catholic principle of reverencing and studying it as leading to a correct understanding of that only admissible rule of faith which is provided for us in Holy Scripture. He is aware, also, that tradition, being not, like Scripture, a rule direct from God, given with infallible correctness, and preserved by the merciful and powerful constant overruling of His providence and grace, is itself to have exercised upon it an enlightened judgment, and due christian discrimination. It commends not, as therefore entitled to our acquiescence and adoption, every point on which it sheds its light; but only those in which it proves the general acquiescence of the Church, under circumstances evincing moral certainty that the church generally could not be justly suspected of be-The rule, too, thus qualified, is of more or less weight of controlling authority, according to the degree of importance, in reference to the Divine economy revealed in Scripture, of the points on which it is brought to bear.

In accordance with these principles, we regard tradition as valuable in proportion to its antiquity. We object to the Romish expedient of drawing it from the testimony of all who have borne the name of fathers, or the decision of all the synods and councils that may have ever met, however extensively the Church may have therein been represented. We look with especial reverence to what was universally held as of God in the first three centuries of the Church; because then, christianity not being the religion of the empire, christians had no temporal purposes to be answered by indifference or opposition to the truth; but on the contrary, its frequent, long, and sore exposures to persecution called on its ministers and members to cling to the purity of their Master's cause, and thus enjoy that support and comfort in their trials which the testimony of a good conscience only can afford. For a large part of this period also, there were those living who had

received the truth from inspired Apostles themselves, or from those who had been brought up at the Apostles' feet, and approved by them, had received, by the imposition of their hands, the precious gift of a right to feed and guide and rule the Church of Christ.

But as length is added to the line of time which connects a present generation with that which enjoyed such precious privileges, and such distinguished advantages for knowing, keeping, and safely and purely transmitting, the truth, our confidence in tradition weakens. When religious profession and state policy were blended, and christians had civil purposes to answer by adhering to, or departing from the integrity of evangelical requirement in faith and practice; and when the patronage which gave worldly security, support, and favour, to the church and its ministers, was quite as likely to reward talent which was characterized by learned and ingenious speculations, as that which was consecrated, in humility and piety, to the pure and simple, yet august and holy and mysterious truths of the everlasting gospel; and maintain religious services with a chief view to the preservation and strengthening of civil. power, and of the dignity of the state; sound reason bids us look with still greater caution to even the boldest conclusions of authorized theological expounders, and the most pointed, and most pointedly sanctioned, decisions of ecclesiastical councils. And especially, when a new element, claiming to be of God, was introduced, not merely into the polity of His Church, but also into the articles of its faith, required to be received under pain of everlasting damnation; whereby, with claim of infallibility, a throne was erected in the midst of Christendom, and one was set thereon, claiming to be the vicar and representative of Christ himself in His capacity as Head over all things to the church; this we regard as fatal to all claim to reverence of tradition moulded under such unchristian auspices. And the conclusion thus brought in by sound reason, and enlightened christian views, is greatly strengthened, when we see such enormities producing their natural effect, and severing—God grant it may not be forever!—the unity which thus far had kept the christian body, in a good degree one; thus setting up council against council, decision against decision, and arming them with threatenings and with curses disgraceful to the christian name.

Such reflections lead us to receive tradition in the exercise of sound christian discrimination. Affectionately desirous to do what we may to heal the existing unfortunate differences among professed followers of the same Saviour; where there appears to be an honest difference

of opinion respecting the true meaning of portions of Scripture having a bearing on any important point on which we differ, we invite to a mutual application of a rule derived from what we think will not be denied to be the true principle, that they who lived in, or nearest to the Apostles' times must be supposed to have had the best means of rightly understanding the holy oracles; and that, therefore, what they generally received, and especially what they incorporated into the Catholic Christian system, must be regarded as furnishing the best and truest light in which to view the parts of Scripture having a bearing on the points Come with us, then, brethren, we say, and let us see what Clement, whose name St. Paul declares is written in the Book of Life, and Polycarp, and Ignatius, and Irenæus, who had the confidence and love of those whom the Saviour put into the Apostolic office, and Justin, the early martyr in the cause of Christ, and men like them, believed to be the truth of God on the points which unhappily divide us. We say to those of Rome, show us in the testimonies of these men any evidence of the Catholicity of your doctrines of papal supremacy, transubstantiation, communion in one kind, the merit of works, purgatory, invocation of saints and angels. They cannot, and knowing that they cannot, they bring down the tradition to which they presume to give the dignity of a divine infallible rule to time far removed from primitive antiquity, and obtrude it under all se deteriorating and degrading influences produced by circumstoces most unfavourable both to an enlightened knowledge, and a revout and holy appreciation, of the truth; and then fasten, for the cradition in which they confide, on that portion of it which is thuseprived of all claim to christian confi-Surely there is ear evidence in this procedure, that the Church of Rome has exced herself in decided opposition to the Catholic Church.

We invite or fellow Protestants, too, to join with us in this most promising fort to arrive at christian unity; and to our great joy, we have he in the valued companionship of many who are associated under names different from that which distinguishes our communion. On the before mentioned important points of infant baptism, and the hallowing of the first day of the week, and for confirmation strong of faith in the Holy Trinity, they unite with us in seeking, and rejoice with us in finding, the testimony afforded in their favour by the Catholic principles of the Church in the days of her primitive unity and purity; because they reverently receive that testimony, as we do, as the fairest

indication of the true meaning of those Scriptures which have a bearing on the points concerned. But why will they not still go with us? Why should we not take sweet counsel together, and inquire of our fathers who were before us, how they considered and received the ordinances which our common Master and His inspired apostles set forth for the regulation of His church, and the extending and securing to men of its spiritual and eternal blessings? Why, on this point, should they endeavour to bring discredit upon the testimony which, in other matters, they so much and justly value? The latter expedient certainly involves a concession in favour of our claim to the true bearing of that testimony; and the indifference connected with the former, results, it is to be feared, from a very prevalent mistaken view of the real character and bearing of the great subject now contemplated, and the introduction of which, in a former part of this discourse, led to this long digression.

The question of the organization of the christian ministry is, by many, most erroneously supposed to be one connected with the mere circumstantials of religion, a question of only an external bearing, but little, and very remotely, if at all, connected with the inward and spiritual part of cor holy faith. This is built on the supposition that it has to do but with the zovernment of the Church, a point, they say, of by no means essential in-sortance, which may vary without any infringement of the gospel, and w.ich it were better, indeed, should be so moulded as to be most likely, by ging satisfaction to the parties to be affected by it, to promote among then good order and efficient action. And hence the ground, not unfrequently ken, that to have various communions, under various organizations, p. vided they agree in the great cesentials, is best, inasmuch as they are callated to give satisfaction to a greater number, and secure a wholesome wulation. The result of all is the idea that Church government, being in - own nature variable, and a mere appendage to the gospel, which may and should be modelled to meet the varied circumstances in which christians may be placed, there is no great importance in inquiring into early testin-qy on the subject, and the time given to it had better be employed in more portant matters.

It should be observed, however, that the government of the Church is far from being foremost in our minds, when we direct their inquiries to the great question of the scriptural and apostolic constitution of the ministry. Not but that it is a subject to which we ought to give the

most pleus and reverent consideration. If it is so, that Christ and his apostles left the Church provided with a government such as they saw to be the best and most fitting, and no where gave liberty to alter it, the ground that it may in all things, be modelled to meet emergencies, and suit prejudices, tastes, and feelings, surely involves a most serious respossiblity. A judicious mind, too, paying due regard to the warning voice of history, and taking due note of extensive results now developing throughout the Christian world, will ask, with the most serious earnestness—I had almost said with the most serious sadness—what, in unity and purity of faith, in the practical exhibition of the piety of the gospel, in the decency and order of religion, and in christian meekness and concord, has been gained by the loose views of church polity, which regard it as a very inferior concern, much attention to which savours of coldness and formality in religion, and which Christians may and should so model as they may deem to be most conducive to the interests of the evangelical cause.

At present, however, I enter not into this department of the subject. I have now to do with one of infinitely greater moment. There is a question anterior to any connected with the mere government and polity of the Church. It is the being of the Church with the essential elements which Christ connected with it.

Spiritual as the Church obviously is in its nature and its designs, it is equally obvious that it has been made visible and tangible, in gracious condescension to the ruined bodily and spiritual nature of the favoured beings whom it is designed to bless with the exalted blessings of which it is the divinely appointed medium and channel.

Chief among those essential elements which Christ has incorporated with His Church in this its visible and tangible character, are obviously its sacraments—that by which men are brought into this holy body, and that by which they are to make a solemn commemoration of the great atonement which lies at the foundation of the whole christian scheme; and seak its great and precious blessings. And in connection with these leading provisions for the Church, there are appointed to be found therein other services and ordinances as mediums of communion between God and us, and holy instructions in the way that leadeth unto life.

A question obviously connected with the most genuine principles and affections of evangelical devotion, is, whether God has been pleased to make any standing provision for extending to men, in all ages, the be-

nefits of the sacraments, services, and instructions of the Church. If not, one of three conclusions must follow—either that no provision at all has been made; or that the original provision was left to be altered by man as he might see fit; or that rules are given whereby such provision may be changed from time to time, as circumstances may require.

On the first supposition, it would follow that every human being is authorized, without special divine designation, to minister in the christian sacraments, ordinances, and instructions; in other words, that no ordination or setting apart to the ministry is necessary.

The second and third suppositions clearly imply either an express warrant in the word of God, for man to alter the original divinely constituted order, as he may deem necessary; or certain revealed rules whereby alterations are, from time to time, to be made. And these are points of fact easily brought to the test of the inspired page; and when such warrant, or such rules, are assumed to be found therein, it will be time enough to enter on the consideration of them.

The position that no ordination whatever is necessary to give a right to minister in holy things, it is not now intended to combat, except so far as this may incidentally be done by the exhibition of a few principles on the subject, designed to detect the inconsistency of not maintaining this position, and yet regarding discussion touching various modes of ordination, as giving too much prominence to a question of mere unessential form, comparatively beneath the notice of the christian who has grace duly to appreciate the pure spirituality of the gospel.

The ministry of Christ evidently supposes a commission from him. This commission can be given only in two ways,—either directly from Him, or indirectly, through the medium of those to whom he has given power to act for him, in imparting the commission.

An immediate direct commission, since the great event which, as on this day, separated from the earth the personal visible presence of the Retleemer, can be given only by a supernatural act on his part, as it was given to Saul of Tarsus; and of this, of course, no man's own unsupported testimony can be received. We cannot suppose that the gracious Head of the Church would adopt such a method of commissioning His ministers, without guarding that Church from the delusion or imposition which might lead to the unreal, however plausible, profession of such commission; either by so ordering His providential dispensations as that there shall be credible witnesses of His act, or by

allowing to him who professes to have been its subject, the proof of the validity of his claim afforded by the exercise of miraculous power. The latter species of evidence, also, is the only satisfactory security against imposition or delusion, flowing from the mournful extent of infamous hypocrisy, and of crazed mental obliquity, to which our poor nature is exposed to being brought in bondage, which we can suppose to attend the imparting of an inward spiritual call, designed to be itself a sufficient commission to the ministry.

For the continuance of the christian ministry, therefore, we must look to the indirect and intermediate action of the the Divine Source of authority; that is, to His action through the medium of appointed representatives. These are obviously, either, first, the members of the church at large, acting each for himself, or according to some appointed system of concert and representation; or secondly, the ministry in general, each minister also acting for himself, or the body aggregate acting through the medium of appointed smaller bodies representative; or thirdly, a distinct order of the ministry, specially invested with peculiar power to this effect.

The scriptural references given in a former part of the discourse go to the illustration of this matter; and I think I may say, clearly show that the last, and neither of the first two of those positions is the true one; that is, that neither the members of the Church at large, nor its ministry at large, but only a particular and superior order of the ministry, has power given it by Christ to act for him in the great work of imparting the ministerial commission.

Time will not now admit of a consideration, in detail, of the bearing on Scripture, in reference to this subject, of the rule of interpretation above noticed, derived from the Catholic testimony of the primitive Church. A leading object for which the subject has been introduced will be answered, if God will be graciously pleased so to bless it as to make it instrumental in effectually commending to my Reverend brethren present, a faithful, diligent, and serious study of what records yet remain of the principles, and of the usages founded on principle, which had Catholic sanction in the primitive Church; accompanied with humble faithful prayer that they may thereby be led to the true understanding of Holy Scripture, and to the imbibing of those principles and affections of the gospel, the cherishing and practical influence of which adorned the doctrine of God our Saviour with that fidelity to Him, and that pure devetion to His holy law and will, which shone with increas-

ing brightness, as persecution tried the constancy of His followers, and martyrdom took them to their great reward.

To the intelligent Laity present, also, I would commend the same study as one of the most gratifying and profitable departments of historical research, to which, as men and Christians, they can give their attention.

Without, however, entering into any detail of the evidence afforded by the early fathers respecting the original constitution of the ministry, there is an unquestionable fact on the subject which furnishes a very strong and valid ground of argument leading to a conclusion as clear in just reasoning as it is valuable as an indication of an important feature in the dispensation of the Gospel.

It is agreed by all conversant with early ecclesiastical history, that at least from the second or third century after Christ, the principle was incorporated into the practice of the Church universal, that the right of imparting to men Christ's commission to minister in his Church was held only by the highest of three orders of the ministry. It is remarkable, too, that that history furnishes no evidence whatever of a change in this matter from an anterior state of things; for the assertion to this effect of Jerome, who lived in the fourth century, unsupported as it is by anterior testimony, and inconsistent with the spirit and legitimate bearing of other parts of his own writings, can hardly be called evidence.

Hence, it is perfectly fair to argue the impossibility of the supposed change. It would obviously be a change of great magnitude in itself It would introduce a total revolution in the and in its consequences. polity of the Church, and very materially affect the rights and privileges of the great body of the Glergy. Nay, farther: it would involve the surrendry by those Clergy, of functions, responsibilities, and duties, which their Lord had enjoined upon them, and which, of course, they were conscientiously bound to fulfil. Consequently, both the impure motives of ambition, and the merely selfish advancement of personal influence and importance, and the holy Christian motives of devotion to the will and ordinance of Christ, and a desire faithfully to improve whatever means and facilities of good may have been attached to the ministry as He established it, would naturally lead the latter to an honest and conscientious, and both to a very decided opposition, to such a It could not, therefore, have taken place without producing such an effect as would not have failed to make a deep and permanent

impression on the history of the age. We look in vain, however, for the least trace of what can fairly be called a record of any such change. Most justly, therefore, is it thrown on those who assume that such a change did take place, to give even plausible evidence touching the time when, the place where, and the process by which, it was effected. In default of this—and such is here fearlessly pronounced to be the fact in the case—it is certainly most reasonable to demand the concession that no such change took place; but that the principles on which the ministerial commission had been received, was held, and was transmitted, at that period, were those established by Christ himself; that is, that the right to impart that commission was not held by the ministry at large, but by the first of three orders into which the ministry was divided by its Divine Author.

As then, none can be ministers of Christ but by a commission from Him, and as this commission can ordinarily come from Him only by the regular uninterrupted transmission of the ordaining power, it must remain in the line originally appointed. This is a necessary conclusion from true faith in God's sure and everlasting promises to His Church. And the application of the principle is the Church's justification for the high ground she takes in declaring Episcopal orders necessary to the lawful exercise of ministerial functions, and acting upon it, even to the extent of thus imparting admission to the ministry of God to those who, through other modes, have been received by Christian communities into the pastoral relation, and have discharged its duties for whatever length of time, and with whatever fidelity and success. charge of bigoted and intolerant attachment to a mere matter of form could hardly be evaded on any other principle than that the ground thus taken is deemed one of essential connexion, not with external order, but with the carrying out of God's merciful plans of grace and salvation through Jesus Christ, in short with the evangelical/system in its genuineness and integrity.

My Right Reverend and Reverend brethren present will excuse the length and minuteness with which this subject has now been considered. They will, I am sure, unite with me in deploring the manifold evils that have resulted to the evangelical cause, from the tendency, so strong in the present age, to set lightly by principle, and arge religion mainly on the feelings; to sacrifice that dependence on God's blessing which comes of faith, to the restless desire to have at once the indulgence of sight; to turn away from the good path whose very antiquity is its highest

praise, and seek rather that which is better suited to new and daring speculations.

Right views of the ministry, sacraments, and services of the Christian Church, may safely be pronounced among the most important, if not decidedly the most important, means of bringing back the endlessly varying Christianity of the present day to the blessed unity of the days of its greatest purity. For these, considered in the connexion, not into which man's unlicensed fancy has brought them, but which is established for them in God's word, include in their legitimate bearings, operations, and results, the whole system of the faith, holiness, and virtue of the Gospel.

If there is any truth in the views which have now been taken, the office to which the godly and well-learned man whose consecration has called us together, is thus to be admitted, holds a chief place among the instruments and agencies which God is pleased to honour in carrying out the great scheme of mercy and salvation revealed in His holy Gospel. It is not merely vested with superiority in legislation and government in God's Church. It is not merely that office the legitimate influences of which on the external unity, prosperity, and welfare of the Church are daily becoming more and more realized by both their enjoyment and the want of them, and are felt and known to be thus conducive also to its spiritual advancement; but that on which God, in the wise ordering of the dispensations of His providence and grace, has been pleased to bestow the abundant honour of making it the chief link in the chain whereby the means by Him established in the Church, are to unite the Christian soul to the Divine Spirit, from whom comes every gift that leads to holiness and virtue. Let it be thoroughly viewed in this, its true and scriptural light, and the solemn transaction of the day will be attended with its highest spiritual interest; and its essential connexion with the evangelical covenant will secure the devout prayers of all true disciples of the Saviour, that it may be richly blessed to the loved and honoured servant of the Lord who has in it the nearest interest, and to the portion of the Redeemer's household who look to it for the descent of the heavenly commission on the chief pastor of their choice.

Reverend and Dear Brother,—I trust I am not wrong in hoping that many such prayers have ascended, and will new ascend, in your behalf. This great and delightful festival of the Church, recalls the august period when our Divine Master, just returning to His heavenly

home, commenced, by the solemn inauguration of His eleven, the Apostolic succession which was to hand down to the end of the world the mission which he gave as the Pather had sent Him. In the exercise of authority received in that succession, you are now to have committed to you the secred deposite of the fullness of the pastoral commission, and of power to hand it down to another generation. The possession of that power involves a most awful responsibility. God give you grace to sustain it with all consistency of life and character! Sent, through his authorized agents by Christ, as He was sent by the Father, keep that one all-absorbing thought ever in your mind. In your going out and coming in, in all you say, and all you do, remember that you have received the Holy Ghost for an office and a work which call to constant advances in the holiness and virtue of the Gospel, and incessant devotion of all your powers, to that great cause of God's glory and man's salvation, which the Divine will has been pleased to place in so near and intimate connexion with the holy functions to which you are to be set apart.

You are to carry the exercise of your heavenly commission among a most kind and affectionate people. They will cheer you on your way. They will pray for you that the abundant blessings of God's grace may descend upon you. O be you kind and affectionate to them. Be to them a true and faithful pastor. Devote yourself in prayers and abours, to their spiritual and eternal welfare.

You are to be accompanied and aided in your pastoral duties by a zealous, devoted, and affectionate Clergy. I know them well, and thank God that that knowledge has been to me a source of unspeakable comfort and happiness. Go before them in being in all things a good example. Faithful, devoted, unremitting, in your pastoral duties, strive thus to aid, encourage, and sustain them. Have a ready sympathy with them in all their trials, and be constant in your faithful commendation of them to the blessing, guidance, and holy keeping, of God's providence and grace. Nor let the solemn thought fail duly to be improved, that the apostolic mantle falls upon you almost on the very spot where it was laid down by one whom we both knew but to love and honour, and the remembrance of whose holy labours among the beloved people now to be committed to your charge,-I speak with an awakened sense of my own deep interest in the thought—should not fail \* to be an effectual incentive to constant prayer and effort that their benign influences may be carried on to their consummation in a better world.

Brethren of the Diocese,—God has been kind indeed in providing for this day of my final separation from you such abundant alleviations of the pain thence arising. The process through which the maturing of your Diocese has been carried forward has shown love and mercy written by the finger of God on its every step. O ever be jealous, with a godly jealousy, of the unity and harmony which now prevail among you. Let not the foot of pride come nigh to mar them, nor the hand of the ungodly to cast them down. In the faithful cherishing and manifesting of love, and confidence, and due obedience, towards him who is now to be over you in the Lord, seek constantly to strengthen among you these heavenly virtues. And in their exercise, fail not in humble fervent prayers and efforts to derive from his godly ministrations that Divine blessing whence will flow their influence in promoting the renewal of your hearts, the strengthening of their faith, and their growth in all heavenly grace.

And now, my brethren, the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese, with a heart tenderly impressed with a sense of obligation to you for all your kindness, deeply solicitous for your future, and especially your eternal welfare, but with much cheering hope of the favourable influences among you of the solemn peculiar transaction of the day, I bid you all an affectionate farewell. God bless you!

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The discourse which follows was one of a course of Lent Lectures, on the Fifty-first Psalm, delivered by the Author, in his parish church of St. Mary's, Burlington. Being called upon, unexpectedly, to preach, in the presence of the Convention of the Diocese of Western N. York, at Auburn, when recently there to assist in the Consecration of his esteemed friend and brother, the Bishop elect of that Diocese, it was taken for that occasion, merely as the simple exposition of a fundamental truth. In consenting to the request of the Convention, that it be printed, in connection with the other discourses delivered on that interesting occasion, the hope is devoutly cherished that it may redound to "the praise of the glory of His grace," who hath made us "accepted in the Beloved."

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### SERMON.

Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mether conceive me."

[Peals 51: 5.

It is now almost three thousand years since the Psalm from which the text is taken was composed: and from that time until now, first in the Jewish, and then in the Christian Church, it has retained its place in the public worship of Almighty God. Of the secret prayers which have been offered, the secret tears which have been shed over it, by penitents in every age, the record is with Him who sees in secret: and with Him a countless host have found their rest, who, in its burning words, gave utterance to the sorrows of their broken hearts—"hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities;" "restore unto me the joy of thy salvation, and uphold me with thy free Spirit;" "deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou God of my salvation, and my tongue shall sing aloud of thy righteousness."

It opens with the full, free and fervent confession of the Royal Penitent, that God's mercy is the sinner's only hope—"have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving kindness; according to the multitude of thy tender mercies, blot out my transgressions." It implores, with carnest and entreating importunity, pardon and purification, as indispensable to peace with God, and with himself—"wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin." It urges the petition by the most express confession of personal guilt, with the deepest sense of its enormity—"for I acknowledge my transgression, and my sin is ever before me." Nay, it goes one step further, and owns that the sin committed is against the Lord, and justly deserves the sentence of his condemnation,—"Against thee, thee only have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest." Appalled at the conclusion to which

<sup>\*</sup>In the original, "wash me again and again."

he has thus brought himself, and amazed to find himself capable of a transgression so enormous, David examines himself, as it were, as to the source of such corruption--- "how could I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?" Alas, the mournful answer but too readily suggests itself,—"behold, I was shapen in wickedness, and in sin hath my mother conceived me." He does not say, with careless triflers with their souls, "it was the weakness of my nature, or the strength of the temptation," and so endeavour to extenuate his guilt. So far from that, with the ingenuousness and true nobility of real penitence—the nearest to nobility that fallen man can ever come—he confesses that he knew the sinful bias of his nature; that thus forewarned he should have been forearmed; that so far from walking blindfold, he went with his eyes open to the transgression of the laws of God and man; that thus, "drawn away by his own lust and enticed," the sin is his, and his alone: the possession of a sinful nature no excuse, but the conviction of more utter helplessness, the admonition of more entire dependence on the heavenly grace, the motive to more earnest and imploring supplication for the mercy of the Holy God,—"I acknowledge my transgression, and my sin is ever before me;" "wash me thoroughly from my transgression, and cleanse me from my sin."

With these preliminary explanations, the connection of our subject becomes clear. The Psalmist acknowledges in most explicit terms, in the opening of his penitential prayer, that God's mercy is the sinner's only hope,—"have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving kindness, according to the multitude of thy tender mercies." But, whence, it may be asked, this sorrow and anguish as of a broken heart? Where is the fountain of this overwhelming stream of guilt and misery? In the inherited depravity of man, we answer, with the Psalmist,—"behold, I was shapen in wickedness, and in sin hath my mother conceived me."

THE INHERITED DEPRAVITY OF MAN;
What is it?
What is the Scriptural account of it?
Is it confirmed by reason and experience?
How may the objections to it be answered?
What are its true and proper consequences?
What is its personal application?

<sup>\*</sup>Prayer-book version; in which, as is characteristic of the two translations, the Saxon, wickedness, is greatly to be preferred to the Latin, iniquity.

1. First, we are to state the doctrine. The inherited depravity of man, what is it? A term much used to express it, is "Original Sin," so called, because it began with the original parents of our race, and because it is the origin of all our actual transgressions. But the term has caused perplexity. The common acceptation of sin is, in the Apostle's phrase, "the transgression of the law:" and some find it hard to comprehend how that which is co-incident with our birth can be a transgression of the law. But, to avoid perplexity, let us adopt the phrase, INHERITED DEPRAVITY, Depravity is crookedness, not being straight. The term applied to moral beings, their characters and actions, is of course used figuratively. The law of God is perfect, a straight, unbending line. The nature or the conduct which does not coincide with the straight line of holiness is crooked or depraved. The want of coincidence in man with perfect holiness is depravity. The idea is suggested by those words of Holy Scripture, "God made man upright." This want of uprightness, of perfect agreement with the perpendicular line of truth and holiness, is what we call depravity. When we add to the expression thus defined the word, inherited, we mean to say that man is not only depraved or not upright in his conduct, but that he is depraved or not upright in his nature; that his bias, from the first, is from the perpendicular; that he starts wrong; that he inherits from his parents the depraved constitution, moral as well as physical, which they inherited from theirs, and they from theirs, and so, quite up to Adam—in a word, that it is true of every human being since the fall, as it was true of David, "Behold, I was shapen in wickedness, and in sin hath my mother conceived me." The inherited depravity of man is thus the propensity to evil which every man brings with him into the world—that angle of departure from the straight line of holiness which leads us farther from it with every actual transgression. "Original or birth sin," says our ninth article, the first which relates to us at all—the Church thus starting in her instructions from the very starting point of our lapsed nature—"Original sin is the fault‡ and corruption of the nature of every man, who naturally is engendered of the offspring of Adam, whereby every man is very far gone from original righteousness, and is of his own nature inclined to evil."

II. Having thus stated what is meant by the inherited depravity of

Defect would be a better word.

man, or "Original sin," as it is commonly called, we are to inquire next, What is the Scriptural account of it? That "God made man upright," is the explicit testimony of Scripture. "So God created man in his own image: in the image of God created he him: male and female created he them." That man kept not the image in which he was created, did not preserve his original uprightness, the testimony of Scripture is equally explicit. The first page of the sacred record is the record of the fall: and every page which follows is the record of its disastrous consequences or of their mysterious remedy. "By one man, sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men for that all have sinned." "We have all sinned, and come short of the glory of God." "There is no man that liveth and sinneth not." "There is none righteous, no, not one." "The wicked are estranged from the womb: they go astray as soon as they are born, speaking lies." "The imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth." "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us." "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked." "The carnal mind is enmity against God."

III. Such, selecting one from a thousand, are the testimonies of holy Scripture to the inherited depravity of man. Are they confirmed by reason and experience? If not, what mean your penal codes? Why has the utmost ingenuity of man been tasked for ages in the attempt to define, detect, and punish crime? Why is it that a court-house and a jail must be set up in every county town? That dungeons and pillories, and scaffolds, cast their dark shadows every where among the abodes of men? If men are just, why so much pains to testify a contract, to certify a record, to enforce the execution of a trust? If men are honest, whence the use of bolts and bars and locks? If men are virtuous, whence the suspicion, the distrust, the doubts, the fears, which mar the comfort of society, and make the present life but little better than an armed neutrality? But it is not so. The structure of the social system implies that man is wicked. There never has existed a form of religion that did not recognise mankind as sinners, and acknowledge the necessity of expiation. There does not exist a human institution without checks and guards against the abuses to which a depraved nature makes it liable. There never lived a man who did not act on the belief that other men are sinners. Now, whence this universal imputation of depravity to man? Is it well founded? the judgment of the Scripture is confessed, that "all have sinned."

is it unjust? But the injustice is universal. And so mankind are universally depraved. It is the lesson, then, of reason and of experience, not less than of the Scriptures, that mankind are sinners. In few and simple propositions:

Every man is a sinner;

Every man is a sinner as soon as he begins to be a moral agent; Every man has by inheritance a sinful nature.

- 1. Every man is a sinner. Is there a living man that dare recite to his-best friend every transaction of his life, that dare lay open to the human eye on which he dotes the most his inmost heart with all its secret thoughts? But why not, if none of them are sinful? Is there a living man who in the solemn hour which finds his soul alone with God, dares to invoke the scrutiny of Him, "to whom all hearts are open," on all the thoughts, desires and purposes of his? But why not, if none of them are sinful? Is there a living man, to whom if an angel should declare that this day, even as he is, he should stand up before the throne of God, to receive according to the deeds done in the body, that would not shrink and shudder at the thought? Or if there be, is it not he who, as a contrite sinner, has come to God, through faith in Jesus Christ, with hearty and sincere repentance? And if these things are so, is not every man a sinner?
- 2. Again; every man is a sinner from the time that he begins to be a moral agent. If sin were matter of acquirement, or of emulation, or of habit, it might be thought that children would be free from it. Alas, how vain the supposition! Who ever saw a child entirely free from every stain of evil? Who can detect the moment when a child begins to sin? Who has not seen, even in the infant whose age is numbered yet by weeks, the workings of an evil temper? Who has not felt the force of David's lamentation,—"They are estranged from the womb; they go astray as soon as they are born."?
- 3. Now how is this to be accounted for, but in the language of the last of our three simple propositions, every man has by inheritance a sinful nature? The tiger is athirst for blood. The lamb crops the green herbage which he scarcely presses with his playful foot. The partridge, upon whirring wing, flies low along the ground. The skylark scars and sings, close by the gate of heaven. The modest violet scarcely peeps above the grass which it empurples and perfumes. The rough old oak extends his brawny arms to brave the fury of the storm. Have ages varied or confounded these distinctions? Could

any training or could any culture bring these nearer to each other than they are? "Can a fig-tree, my brethren, bear olive-berrries, either a vine, figs? And should I ask the question, why these things. are so, is there more than one answer that all the men that ever lived would make—it is their nature, their transmitted nature? And so precisely it is with man. He has by inheritance a depraved and sinful nature. "In the day that God created man, in the likeness of God made he him." The Divine image was lost by disobedience. Then when Adam begat a son, it was in his own likeness, in his im-He could not transmit the image he had lost. "That which is born of the flesh is flesh." The children of Adam, with his fallen condition, are inheritors of his fallen nature. The moral corruption descends with the bodily infirmity. "Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean?" "How can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit?" "Behold, I was shapen in wickedness; and in sin hath mymother conceived me."

IV. 1. But there are objections, how shall they be answered? It is alleged as an objection to the doctrine which we have stated, proved from Scripture and shewn to be in agreement with reason and experience, that it is inconsistent with the holiness of God to send into the world beings not in a state of perfect purity. But this is rather beg-To show what God ging the question than stating an objection. ought to do, does not become man. The question for us to ask is, what hath God done? The question which most concerns us is, what hath God taught us of our natural state and character? Clearly and fully this, that we are the corrupt offspring of degenerate parents, inclined to evil, and without natural power to help ourselves. "Behold, I was shapen in wickedness, and in sin hath my mother conceived me." But the objector is not disposed of so easily. He still alleges that it is not consistent with God's justice to involve the child in the transgression of the parent. Yet, is it not universally so in the dealings of God's providence? Are not diseases transmitted? Does not the child suffer from the poverty which a parents' negligence produces; and share the disgrace which public sentiment visits on Nay, the first disobedience brought death into the his crimes? world; and infants, who have never sinned, are held to pay the penalty of sin. But the objection altogether vanishes, when with the inherited evil, the proffered mercy is presented. "By one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin." But so by one man grace

entered into the world, and life by grace. "As in Adam all die," says the Apostle Paul, "so in Christ shall all be made alive." again, "as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation, even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men to justification of life." The forfeiture in Adam had no sooner been incurred, than the recovery in Christ was mercifully re-"I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and bevealed. tween thy seed and her seed: it shall bruise thy head and thou shalt bruise his heel." The act of mercy was thus contemporaneous with the act of justice, and commensurate with it. Nay, more than com-"Where sin abounded," says the Apostle, "grace did mensurate. much more abound; that as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign, through righteousness, unto eternal life, by Jesus Christ our Lord."

- "In him the babes of Adam boast
- "More blessings than their father lost."

The Son of God sent to make atonement for our sins; the Holy Spirit given to renew in us the image which the fall defaced; pardon offered to every penitent offender; the kingdom of heaven opened to all believers—behold, how true it is, that "where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:" and silencing every objection, and suppressing every doubt, exclaim with the enraptured Paul, "Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God: how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out! The wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord."

2. The objection that the doctrine of inherited depravity excuses sin, and makes it vanial, we have in some degree anticipated; and shown that David did not so regard it. In the very breath which acknowledges its truth, "behold, I was shapen in wickedness, and in sin hath my mother conceived me," he confesses with unfeigned humifity and penitence, "I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me; against thee, thee only have I sinned, and done this evil in thy eight; weak me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin." The fact that powder is combustible does not excuse the gunner who through wilfulness or carelessness explodes the magazine. It rather aggregates the offence, that having charge of a material so liable to danger, he omitted the precautions which were

requisite for safety. And so the sinner, knowing whereof he is made, and remembering that he is sinful flesh, who tampers with temptation, or neglects to watch and pray, or runs with wilful foot into the trial which he knows he cannot bear, how can he justify himself, or where shall he find shelter from the sentence of the broken law? For all the rest—let not the humble and the contrite ever be afraid!—the God who willeth not the death of a sinner " is not strict to mark what is done amiss" in them who fear and love him; and with every temptation will provide for them who trust in him a way by which they may escape.

- 3. As little weight lies in the last objection we shall notice, that the doctrine of the text discourages exertion. Because the ground which sin has blighted with a curse will run to weeds, and bring forth thorns and briars, does the farmer therefore cease to plough? Because the physician knows that all his patients bear the seeds of death about them does he refuse to treat the malady for which they ask his aid; and since the man is mortal, give him up to die at once? When the storm is up, and the leak gains, and the sails are split, and the masts fall, does the pilot leave the helm, and give up all to hopeless ruin? Neither did David, because he knew that he was conceived in sin, and shapen in iniquity, give up his efforts in despair. He rather urged his prayer with greater importunity, redoubled his petitions, and besought the Lord the more with cries and tears—"have mercy. upon me, O God, according to thy loving kindness, according to the multitude of thy tender mercies;" "purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow;" "create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me."
- V. Having answered thus the common objections which are raised against the doctrine of the inherited depravity of man, we are ready to point out its true and proper consequences.
- 1. And first, it gives us an important lesson as to the nature of sin: Many seem to think that none but gross and hurtful vices deserve that name. The Psalmist, as you see, applies it to that depravity of nature, that want of perfect agreement with the line of truth and holiness, which we bring with us into the world. Men accustom themselves to measure the degree of sin by the amount of social evil. But its true essence is its disagreement with the law of God; and its real hatefulness consists in opposition to his perfect law.
  - 2. We see at once, as a serious consequence from the conclusion of

the text, the fearful influence of our inherited depravity. The root of bitterness, implanted in the heart, bears bitter fruit, the blighted grapes of a degenerate vine. "Out of the heart proceed evil thoughts;" and from our evil thoughts the evil words and evil deeds which defile our souls, destroy the peace of the world, and dishonour the name of God. "Even in the regenerate," the article assures us, them that have been born of God and put on Christ, "the infection of our nature doth remain." The flesh, as long as it is flesh, will lust against the Spirit. It is the warfare of the Christian's life, to war against the lusts which kill the soul. And even Paul must keep his body under, and bring it into subjection, lest that by any means when he had preached to others, he should himself become a cast-away.

3. A third and a most natural consequence from what has thus been said, is the admission of the utter helplessness in which the race of man is, through the fall, involved; if, as Pelagius vainly talked, men were all born, as Adam was created, in the image of God, and their depravity consisted only in the imitation of his disobedience, we might have hope of our impaired and erring nature, that, by watchfulness and painfulness and effort, it would restore itself to its divine original. If we can but find where the stream begins to be corrupt, we shall reasonably trust, that, as it rolls along, it will discharge itself of its impuri-But such is not the teaching of the Scriptures, nor the lesson of our sad experience. "Behold, I was shapen in wickedness, and in sin hath my mother conceived me." The fountains of our being are corrupt. The seed from which we spring is evil. Sin enters with us into the world. In such a nature, there is no redeeming principle. From such a curse, man cannot save himself. Isaiah owned it, when he said, "your sins have separated between you and your God." David felt it, when he said, "None of them can by any means redeem his brother, nor give to God a ransom for him." It breathes in the words of mingled lamentation and deliverance, in the pathetic rapture of Hosea, "Oh, Israel, thou hast destroyed thyself; but in me is thy help." Job anticipates the single remedy, while he deplores the dreadful ill, "if I wash myself in snow water, and make my hands never so clean, yet shalt thou plunge me in the ditch, and mine own clothes shall abhor me. For he is not a man, as I am, that I should answer him, and we should come together in judgment. Neither is there any days-man betwixt us, that might lay his hand on both." Blessed be God, the "daysman," that can "lay his hand on both," the "mediator between God

and man," uniting in himself both natures, that he might make both one, has been revealed from heaven. And now, to all "the sorrowful sighing" of old patriarchs, and to all "the lamentation and mourning and woe" that was written within and without on all the books of all the prophets, and to that question of our universal nature, is which the prophet Micah gives expression to its sense of utter helplessness—"Wherewith shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before the high God?"—the gospel gives reply, "behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sins of the world;" "the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth from all sin;" "in whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins.

- 4. Nor does our ruined nature need a Saviour only from the curse of sin, but restoration from its power. Nothing can result more clearly from the doctrine of inherited depravity, than the necessity of spiritual transformation. When God created man for his own pleasure, he made him like himself. Before he can take pleasure in him again, the likeness must be restored. It is the heart that is corrupt, and it is the heart that must be changed. The corruption is native, and the nature must be renewed. It is not amendment, it is not improvement, it is not refinement that will meet the case; but renovation, making new, creating again. "Cast away from you all your transgressions, whereby ye have transgressed, and make you a new heart and a new spirit; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?" "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me." "I beseech you, therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that we present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to him, which is your reasonable service: and be not conformed to this world, but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind." "That ye put off concerning the former conversation, the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, and that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness."
- VI. For the personal application of the subject, a very few words will be sufficient. Beloved brethren, in the view of such a ruin, in the view of such a rescue, who are they that can remain indifferent?
- 1. Are you in ignorance of your lost state, indifferent to God's requirements, careless of heaven, thoughtless of eternity? What so suitable to rouse you from that spiritual torpor, which is the sure precursor of eternal death, as the awful certainty, that to redeem your soul from hell, the Son of God came down from heaven, and died upon the cross? In

what other language, I beseech you, if the record of the Scripture, "God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son," fail to awaken you to seriousness, and penitence, and calling upon God—in what other language, can tongue of man er trumpet of archangel speak to you, with hope to move your hearts? How far beyond the terrers of "the Mount that burned with fire," its blackness and darkness and tempest and terrific voice of words, which even Moses could not bear, the record, written in the blood of Jesus by the finger of the living God, for all the unbelieving and impenitent despisers of his word, "the soul that sinneth, it shall die!"

- 2. Are there some here who have been wakened from this sleep of death? In whom the Holy Ghost has achieved his first and most effectual office, in convincing them of sin? Who are pricked at the ir heart, and anxious to know what they shall do to be saved, and bewail in the voice of agonizing supplication, "Lord, help me;" "Lord, have mercy upon me;" "Lord, save or I perish!" Be of good cheer, beloved. It is the work of God. It is the power of the Cross. It is the triumph of the bleeding Lamb. Look unto him, and you cannot be lost. Go unto him, and you shall not be cast out. He came from heaven to seek you. He took our nature upon him, that he might be touched with the feeling of your infirmities. He suffered that you might be healed. He died that you may live forever. In the clear, conclusive, and—I pray to God it may be, with your hearts—persuasive and prevailing argument of Paul, "he that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him freely give us all things?"
- "peace with God," through him, I need not urge the preciousness and power of the Redeemer's blood. You have "tasted that the Lord is gracious." You have found access to that fountain at which they who drink shall never thirst again. You have taken shelter from the storms of life, behind the Rock of everlasting ages; and sought, at the foot of the cross, and in the sprinkling of the blood that falls from it, the pardon of your sins, and acceptance with the Holiest, through the suffering Son of his love. Hold fast to the beginning of your confidence. Let nothing tempt you from that "better part," which you have chosen, with beloved Mary, at the feet of Jesus. Listening to his gracious words, conforming your lives to his holy example, appropriating to yourselves the heavenly beauty on which you

love to gaze; you shall drink in of the graces of his Spirit, you shall become partakers of his Divine nature, you shall be transformed into his glorious image. You shall have your lot with Christ—in sorrow and suffering, it may be, yet in peace which the world cannot give—here on earth. You shall be "found in Christ," in the hour and agony of death. And in the day of judgment, and through eternity, your song shall be, with all the saints, in glory and in joy—"thou art worthy, for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood, out of every kindred and tongue and people and nation."

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#### SERMON.

"Forgetting those things that are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.—Phillippians 3: 13.

It is a striking fruth in the character of our Lord's apostles that after the development of the gespel system to them, by their divine Master, through the Blessed Spirit, on the day of Pentecest, they were wholly free from that presumption and self-confidence which some of them had previously manifested, and which usually characterize the leaders of all earthly enterprises. Firm as they were in adhering to the cause of a crucified Lord, and bold in the denunciation of idelatry and sin, yet we never find them, after that event, priding themselves on their virtues or sacrifices, claiming freedom from the obligation of duties imposed on their disciples, elevated into arrogance by their success, or uttering any vain boasts on account of their supernatural powers, or their mighty works. They regard themselves, and so speak, as if they were still learners, still imperfect in Christian virtues, still under obligation to improve, still insecure of ultimate salvation, and still imperatively required to make their calling and election sure. Even when their converts had multiplied to thousands, and Asia, Greece, and Italy were teeming, like Judea and Gallilee, with the followers of Jesus, there was no proud assumption of authority and dignity beyond the legitimate claims of their office, flowing from this success. All was humble, unostentatious, fervent, holy in the ranks of the apostles, exemplifying in themselves the very character which they enjoined on others. St. Paul has furnished us in the text with an illustration of this peculiarity. Here was an apostle, standing on the summit of the most brilliant distinction and success. He had founded He had advocated Christ before the most rea multitude of churches. nowned tribunal of the world. He had suffered persecution, imprisonment, scourging and stoning in His cause. Endued with miraculous powers, and possessing a stronger mind and higher cultivation than his brethren, thousands of converts looked up to him as a spiritual father, were guided by his counsels, and leaned on his intelligence and authority for support and direction. And yet eminent as he was, even among apostles, there was no placing himself above the duties and exertions which bind even the humblest Christian. Although a teacher he considers himself bound to learn, although a leader, he too is bound to fight the good fight of faith. Although an apostle he too must struggle for eternal life. Hear his language:—" Brethren I count not myself to have apprehended, but this one thing I do—Forgetting the things that are behind, and reaching forth unto those things that are before, I press toward the mark, for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

In presenting this example to your contemplation I need not detain you by any elaborate explication of the apostle's phraseology, nor point out the accuracy of his allusion to the Grecian contests from which his figure is drawn. "Forgetting the things that are behind," i. e. disregarding the attainments in Christian holiness already made, and not viewing them as the final end of my efforts. "And reaching forth unto those things which are before," i. e. looking to higher spiritual acquisitions in grace and knowledge—"I press towards the mark,"—I strive to attain that thorough conformity to the divine will, that elevated cast of Christian character, that perfection of holiness, which Christ has propounded as our model. "For the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus," in order that I may secure that everlasting salvation to which God has called us through Christ, and which is indeed to every sinner truly conscious of his sinfulness, deficiencies and guilt, a prize, to be estimated above all price.

The great lesson here taught is this that Christians, of whatever grade, instead of resting contented with present attainments, must earnestly and constantly strive to grow in grace and to perfect holiness in the fear of the Lord. Not only in the text, but throughout the New Testament, is this lesson urgently inculcated. The character enjoined in the Gospel is not represented as capable of being matured at once. A thousand expressions imply that the bare conversion of the sinner, the mere entrance on a holy life, the naked connecting of himself with the cause of Christ, will not avail to any man's salvation, to whom an extended trial is allotted. He must follow holiness. He must grow in grace. He must press toward the mark. He must "add to his faith virtue, and to

patience, and to patience godliness, and to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness charity." The tree of righteousness must indeed be planted, but it must be also watered and nourished. The lamp must be lighted but it must also be trimmed and fed. The soldier must be enlisted, but he must also arm himself, be drilled, and fight.

The principle enforced in the text, and sustained by the whole tenor of Scripture, that the Christian is bound to advance most diligently in personal boliness, is one, which, applicable indeed to all the disciples of Christ, does yet, under this example of St. Paul, peculiarly claim the segard of the Christian ministry. It is a lesson founded on the sentiments and conduct of a minister of Christ. It will not I trust be deemed inappropriate, if on the present occasion, I venture to direct your thoughts

- I. To some of the peculiar obstructions which resist the progress of the Christian minister in personal holiness,
- II. And secondly, to some deductions which the views authorised by the text will fully sanction.

Spirit of God vouchsafe thy blessing on our efforts.

- I. What then are some of the obstructions which resist the advancement of the Christian minister in personal holiness? I know not, brethren, that the obligation of personal holiness, and of efforts to grow in grace, is stronger upon the Christian ministry than upon other disciples of our common Master, except it be for the wider influence of his example for good or evil. All must admit that it is quite as strong. Now beside the ordinary obstacles to spiritual improvement common to the ministry with all Christians some peculiar difficulties obstruct their progress resulting from the very relation in which they stand to Religion.
- 1. Their familiarity with sacred things is calculated in some degree to sear their minds to holy impressions. Their thoughts, and tongues and pens are unceasingly employed on this topic, enforcing duties, defending doctrines, arguing principles, applying and explaining the precepts and ordinances of Christianity. This is their constant occupation, their daily work. They enter into the interior of the sacred temple—its holy of holies,—and become familiarized with all its recesses. Hence they are in danger of losing in some degree, the susceptibility of religious impression, liable to become hackneyed in spiritual feeling, to glide into formalism or coldness, or what is even worse, into a fictitious kind of ardour, assumed for the occasion, and having no real founda-

tion in the heart. This liability to a diminished personal interest in religious duties is no reflection on the power of religion itself, because it results from the constitution of the human mind, which invariably ceases to be excited even by the most absorbing and thrilling objects, when familiarized to them by thought or sense. How different are the impressions with which the youth first beholds the splendid decorations, and imposing scenery of a Theatre, from those which are excited afterwards, when he has unhappily become a constant frequenter of that perilous temple. When we approach, for the first time, some venerable and eminent individual, high in his country's councils, whose exploits are associated with her glory, whose name is carried through the land connected with ideas of wisdom, and valour, the emotions excited in the bosom, are infinitely more intense and elevated than those, which arise when personal or domestic familiarity has taken the place of reserve and distance. And yet in such a case, the difference would not result from any disappointment of our expectations as to the character of the individual. A nearer acquaintance, on the contrary, might rather disclose new and more endearing traits, might emblazon his excellencies, might even transform respect and reverence into a high degree of esteem and love. So is it with the Christian minister,—his intimacy with religion, his nearness to its mysteries, his close and constant association with its doctrines, and precepts, and sacraments, and worship, as a teacher and preacher, is calculated, not from any defect of interest in them, but from the uniformity of his own mind to render him less accessible to the holy influences of religion, and to thwart and dampen his personal efforts and zeal to grow in grace. Amid his exertions to promote the salvation of others, he is tempted to forget his own personal religious improvement. His zeal for others absorbs his zeal for himself, and while pressing the solemn obligations of Christianity upon his flock, he may possibly become heedless to his own personal advancement in holiness and grace. This is in fact one of the perils of the ministry; and that deceitful heart which characterizes them, like others, often sinks them imperceptibly, by this agency, into the hazardous abyss of spiritual sloth, or fictitious ardour and zeal,—feeding them with the delusion, that because as instructors, they are daily handling the word of truth, and mingling in thought conversation and teaching with all the virtues and precepts of the Gospel, they must therefore, of necessity be growing in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ, when in fact, the flesh which is weak has overcome the

Spirit which is willing, and they have sunk, like the sleeping apostles at Gethsemane, into the embraces of indevotion and apathy.

2. Let us proceed to another obstruction which resists the progress of the Christian minister in personal holiness.

In the apt and expressive language of Christ, he is declared to be a city that is set on an hill, which cannot be hid." In all parts of his profession both as a Christian and a pastor, which lie open to human view, he is an object of especial scrutiny. A thousand eyes watch his course with eager readiness to employ a thousand tongues to magnify and disseminate his defects and lapses.

But this inspection extends only to what may be called the visible parts of his religious character; and powerful as is its influence to restrain the outward conduct, it yet does not, and cahnot, reach to that ether department of personal religion, which centres in duties, devotions views and feelings which can be known only to the individual and to God. The distant city, on its elevated site, may be seen by the passing traveller. He may count its turrets and its spires, note the dense cloud which hangs in the atmosphere above it, and mark the numercus objects which a burning sun may reflect from its roofs and its battlements. But this is all. He knows nothing, for he can perceive nothing of what is going on within its precincts, now its busy multitudes are occupied, what scenes of virtue or crime are there displayed;—the pride and folly and sins and impurities, on the one hand, and the activity, benevolence and usefulness, on the other, which characterize the workings of its unseen population,—these are all hidden from his eye, -all screened from his inspection. And so also is the heart of the Christian minister from the insight of his brother man, and to a great degree also the private and retired habits of his life. Now the very fact that in the external and visible traits of his Christian character, he is subject to an ever watchful scrutiny, while it enhances his vigilance in these respects, is of itself a temptation to be less careful, and less zealous in the unobserved and private exercises of his religion. Braced up even to preciseness before men he is in danger of relaxing too far in private. Satan triumphs over him in secret. Spiritual lassitude follows often in the train of public energy. Many a servant of the altar, high in public estimation for his sanctity devotion and zeal, has mourned in secret over the consciousness of personal deficiencies, slackened energies, and prostrate godliness, and would dread to submit the actual state of his heart to the same earthly inspection, that watches his visible

character and conduct. He wakes to the sad conviction that amidst all his labours, and study and zeal to be a successful, well esteemed, popular minister, he has almost forgotten to be a Christian. Alas, his heart has been growing cold, his affections have become stupified, secret prayer, meditation, communion with God, inward vigilance, the spirit of faith and devotion, have all been more or less neglected, and there have sprung up as the miserable fruits of his neglect, tares in abundance, spiritual sloth, a proud and vain temper, a worldly spirit, and an unholy mind.

'This obstruction is not a little strengthened by the very character of the times in which we live. It is an age of beisterous religion,—of impetuous and ill governed excitements,—of lofty enterprises to promote the cause of Christ, which exact from the clergy an unusual degree of notoriety; and subject them to especial public scrutiny. The quiet, unobtrusive graces of the ministerial character, humility, spiritual mindedness, a devotional temper, deep and thoughtful study, are little estimated in comparison with fervid zeal, energetic action, and fluent boldness. The pastoral model of this age is not the Prophet of Patmos, John, the divine, but the impetuous and fiery apostle of the circumcision. The tone of the public mind countenancing so much more, the energetic, than the mild and gentle, in the character of the Christian minister, is an additional temptation to him to seek to excel in the public rather than in the private virtues of Christianity, and thus throws and additional obstruction in the path of personal holiness.

8. A still further obstruction in this path is the intellectual occupation of the pastor. He is, he ought to be a student for his whole life. His own mental improvement, his vows of office, the exigencies of his flock, and the exactions of his Master all demand, with the utmest urgency, that his mind be not neglected, but that on the contrary he give himself to the diligent prosecution of professional studies. usefulness cannot be expected without this mental application. ordinary talent, or preeminent genius may occasionally shoot across the religious world, with such originality and brilliancy, as possibly to justify neglect of regular and laborious study; but for the great mass of mind such study is equally essential and obligatory. There is a danger however to our spiritual interests even in this obvious duty. Study is more or less a mere intellectual occupation. It does not necessarily involve the exercises of the heart. It may be a mere frozen region, where the sun of true devotion never penetrates to melt its ice,

or start its moral vegetation. Every theologian is not a man of earnest piety, or devotional habits or inclinations. No small portion of theological investigation is but little connected with practical piety. clergyman may make himself an acute critic, a powerful champion of the truth of Christianity, a fluent and able expositor of its doctrines, while he neglects the cultivation of the humble and holy graces of religion. And the danger to which every student lies exposed is that of disjoining growth in knowledge from growth in grace. He becomes absorbed in the great theories of religion, and forgets its practice. mind expands, but his heart contracts. In the process he loses his sensibility to holy impressions, and, through the agency of Satan, is sometimes pushed onward to the ruinous delusion, that the improvement of his mind compensates for the neglect of his heart, that knowledge is an ample substitute for piety. His family and flock soon feel the influence of this fatal misconception, in the neglect of their spiritual and eternal welfare beyond the elaborate, and often ill-timed and illapplied discussions of the pulpit. Now this evil is no argument against a studious or learned ministry as hasty ignorance might conclude, any more than the frequent abuses of piety to superstition and fanaticism would be an argument against a pious and godly ministry.

The difficulty now under view is not perhaps so great as others, for the age is one of activity, not of study. But still, bound as we are to be diligent and studious, it is well to reflect upon the danger which lurks among books and libraries, and to stand armed and guarded against sacrificing the heart to the intellect, against dissevering grace from knowledge against presenting ourselves to the Church, as icebergs, brilliantly reflecting the rays of the sun, but still encircled with an atmosphere of frost, and composed of particles which chill men to the very heart. Such are some of the peculiar difficulties which lie across the path of the Christian minister. Others of a similar character might be suggested to your thoughts. I content myself with reminding you of these, that our familiarity with the concerns of religion, as stewards of its mysteries, has a tendency to weaken our moral sensibility, that our constant exposure to the public eye tends to lessen the exactions of private vigilance, that our intellectual studies may infuse an icy coldness into our hearts. Now all this, whenever, and in whomsoever it occurs, is the result of disregarding the lesson and the example of St. Paul. In preaching the gospel of Christ, he never forgot that he was personally a subject of its minutest obligations.

ing others for the spiritual contest he ceased not to remember that the race was to be run by himself. In urging others to seek salvation by the cross of Christ, he ever bore in mind that he was to work out his own eternal safety " with fear and trembling." His own personal religious character was not less the object of his zeal, and prayers and efforts, than the extension of the gospel and the salvation of others. When he reasoned of "righteousness, temperance and judgment tocome," it was upon his own heart and habits, no less than on the shuddering soul of Felix, that the solemn lessons fell. When he held forth the cross of Christ, dyed with the blood of an effectual atonement, to the guilt stricken sinner, he failed not to keep his own faith riveted on that full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins When he directed the timid imbecile, sin-weakof the whole world. ened soul of man to the offers and agency of the blessed Spirit, it was with the tenacity of a drowning man, that he grasped, for himself, that hand which opens the only fountain of purity and strength to a corrupt and fallen race. When, to the assembled wisdom and learning of Athens, he proclaimed the awful message, new to their astonished ears, that "God now commandeth all men every where to repent because he hath appointed a day in which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained, whereof he hath given assurance unto all men in that he hath raised him from the dead," he urged a duty which had melted his own heart, and re-modelled his own character, he avowed an accountability which with daily and hourly efficiency kept him walking in the ways of God's laws, and in the works of his commandments. Such was the course of St. Paul, and there is no security for the personal salvation of any one of us, however successful or however eminent, unless like this apostle, we strive to grow in grace, and "forgetting the things that are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, we press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

- II. In turning now to some deductions which the views thus presented will sanction, let me notice
- 1. That they will serve to correct the common misapprehension in the minds of many, particularly of men engaged in the turmoils of business, that because the clergy are by their very profession employed in the concerns of religion they are therefore exempt from temptation, and enjoy supereminent advantages for spiritual improvement. It is a remark behind which multitudes seek to screen themselves from the pe-

culiar obligations of the cross, "it is easy for you to tread the strict path of Christian godliness, whose very occupation it is to think and speak and teach in connection with that solemn topic, but for us, whose days are devoted to worldly business, whose nights are hardly free from worldly cares and anxieties, whose minds are distracted by numberless vexations, whose tempers are crossed by collisions and disappointments, who are hourly beset by a thousand sources of irritation and solicitude -for us to put on and maintain the holy, subdued, watchful and humble character which you urge upon us-for us to undertake to act upon the strict and unfaltering principles of Christian godliness is more than our peculiar temptations, is more than the circumstances in which we are placed, and the infirmities of our nature will allow us to do." This, the often urged plea of the half awakened and delaying sinner, is a most fatal error, delusive in itself, and fearfully pernicious in its operation on the minds of men. It is no apology for any man's neglect of religion that another is subject to less temptation than himself. Ample redemption from the guilt and power of sin—ample provision for human weakness—ample guidance and support in temptations and trials, are made for every one of us; and with the Spirit of the most high God, promised and pledged to supply us with moral strength we plead utterly in vain the magnitude and pressure of the difficulties which beset our path, as the cause of our neglect of the character and institutions which the Son of God has enjoined upon us all. In point of fact however you perceive that the very persons whom you esteem free from trials, are subject to difficulties to which you are strangers, and which are peculiar to themselves. None in truth are exempt from trials. No situation—no class—no profession—no employment can free us from the pressure of what constitutes the very essence of our probation. Diversities do indeed exist as to this point in the spiritual condition of individuals under the gospel. Some have more and some less to contend with in prosecuting the great work of their salvation. all, all are subject to temptation—all are required to meet it manfully -all are commanded to seek-all are empowered to secure eternal

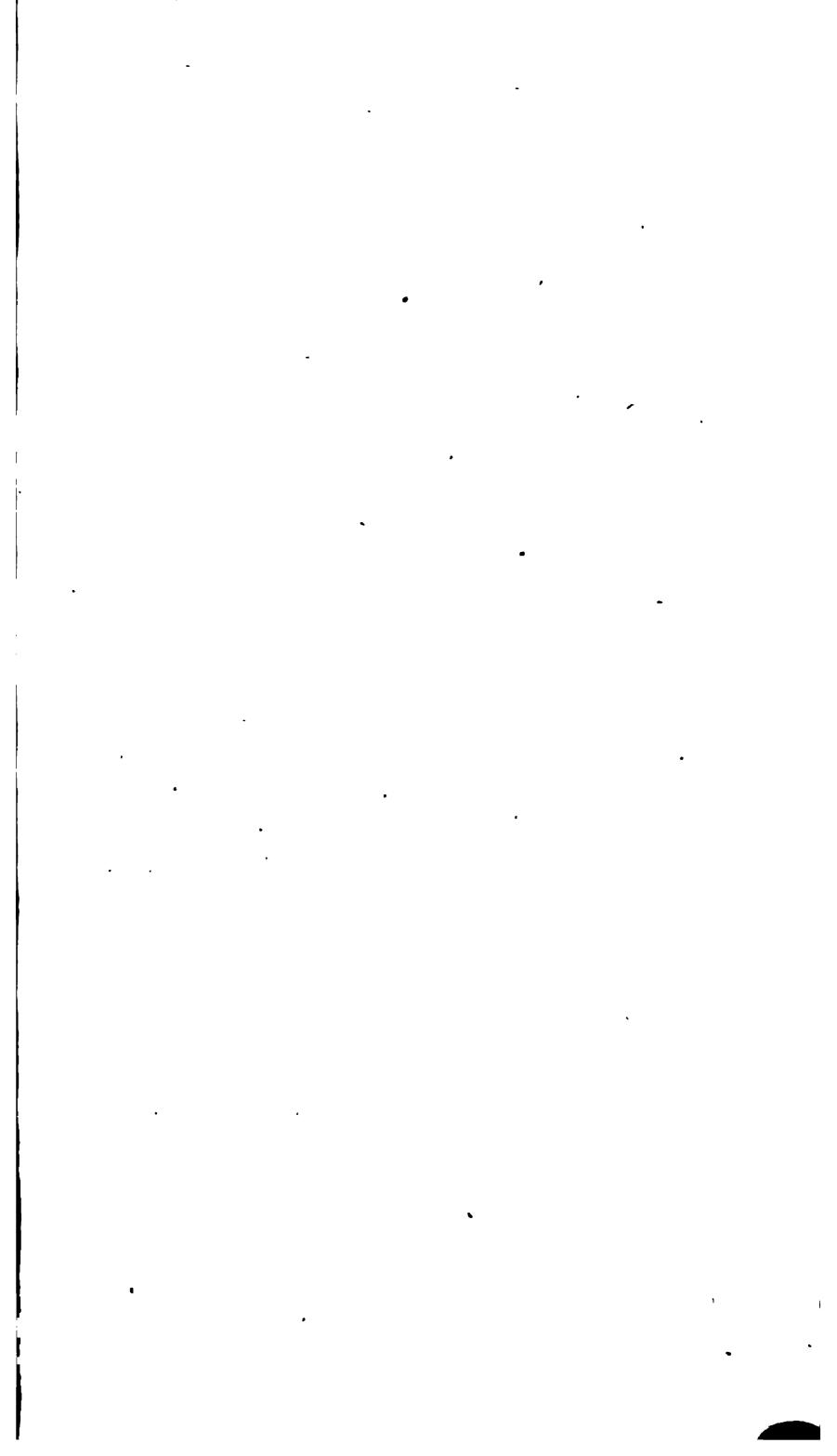
2. There is a yet further improvement to be made of this subject. If it be true that the ministers of Christ are less exposed to trials and temptations, than others, and if nevertheless with all their advantages they are required to be most zealous and active and persevering in working out their salvation, how forcibly does this circumstance im-

press upon other Christians less favorably situated the necessity on their part of increased diligence and zeal in pursuing the path of life. St. Paul must struggle, who shall venture to be indolent? If they who tread an easier path are compelled to put every power to the stretch, what energy, what wariness, what circumspection, what unreserved devotedness to the work, must be needed by those who contend with fiercer enemies, and pursue a more rugged and irksome way. This is the true lesson to be drawn from such contemplations. Instead of greaning over our difficulties, or instituting comparisons between ourselves and others, or repining at the privileges and exemptions which God allots to more favoured brethren, let us apply ourselves with sterner purpose and renewed energies to our own personal struggles. the things that are behind, and reaching forth unto those things that are before, let us press toward the mark. Sufficient grace is provided for every difficulty. Adequate strength will be imparted for every trial. There is One who in the impressive terms of Scripture is Touched with a feeling for our infirmities—who knows how to succour them that are tempted—who will, with the temptation make a way of escape that we may be able to bear it. Animated by his promises, and relying upon his grace let us throw ourselves resolutely into the great contest for eternal life, running with patience the race set before us; and pressing towards the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Je-Thus only can we hope to obtain salvation from sin, death and hell, and secure the rich rewards of everlasting glory in the world to come.

3. Finally if to animate him in the work of personal holiness, the apostle did not hesitate to fix his eye on the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus, we need not fear that we are violating the letter or the spirit of the Gospel by lifting our own desponding and timid eyes to the same heart-stirring prospect. It is a mysticism which has done little for the advance of manly piety amongst us, that forbids us to look above for motives, and which would encamp our vision to the single ground of what Christ has effected in the way of pardon by his atonement, without looking to what Christ has purchased for us hereafter by his mysterious sacrifice, and now holds up to excite and animate us in The cheering influence of his promises wars not with the his service. Why is not the Christian Pastor to string his harp efficacy of his cross. with the melodies of Heaven as well as raise to his lips the trumpet of denunciation whose dismal notes are taken from the weeping and wail-

ing of Hell? Is the disciple of Christ to be stirred to zeal, solely by the terrific images of an undying worm, and an unquenchable flame, and a vengeance-taking God, the direful issues of apostacy and impeni. tence; and never to be prompted to exertion by the glorious visions which the Gospel opens to his astounded eye, the rivers of pleasure and the tree of life, the golden streets, the House not made with hands eternal in the Heavens, the new Jerusalem coming down from heaven resplendent with the light and glory of the lamb? Oh, well would it be for us, ministers and people, if our thoughts were oftener, in hours of seclusion, communing with that God who seeth in secret—lifted up to scenes which his gracious promises unfold, penetrating the Heavens, and transporting us, as it were, to the very presence of the lamb enthroned in glory at the right hand of God. I plead for no vain attempt to detail, or to depict what God has not revealed as to the nature and constituents of future bliss. This is a sea already strewed with the fragments of a thousand shipwrecks. But I do urge that Christian ministers and Christian people should follow the example of St. Paul, and look oftener to the glorious prize which an Almighty Saviour has purchased for them, and hung out to animate them in the Christian race. Seasons enough are there, both in the religious and the ministerial life, when we need the animation, which such contemplations inspire—times when perplexities distract, and opposition sinks the heart, when efforts, and prayers, and study, and zeal, and fidelity seem utterly ineffectual in opening a way for our instructions into the hardened and sin-blinded hearts of men, and when in regard to ourselves the divine threatening against Israel appears to be verified upon us, when the Heavens over are as brass, and the earth under us is as iron, without dews from above, or vegetation from beneath, then, and on all occasions, when tempted to despond, or relax, or falter, let our eyes be turned in faith to the glorious scenes above where Christ sitteth at the right hand of God-to the crown of glory that fadeth not away, to the great recompense of reward, the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. It is a view that will serve to steady our faltering steps in the path of godliness—to infuse vigor into our efforts to lift us above the toys and trammels of the earth, and to dispose us to run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus the author, and finisher of our faith who for the joy that was set before him, endured the cross, despising the shame, and is now set down, on the right hand of the majesty on high. Thither may we all come, through the infinite merits of our Lord.

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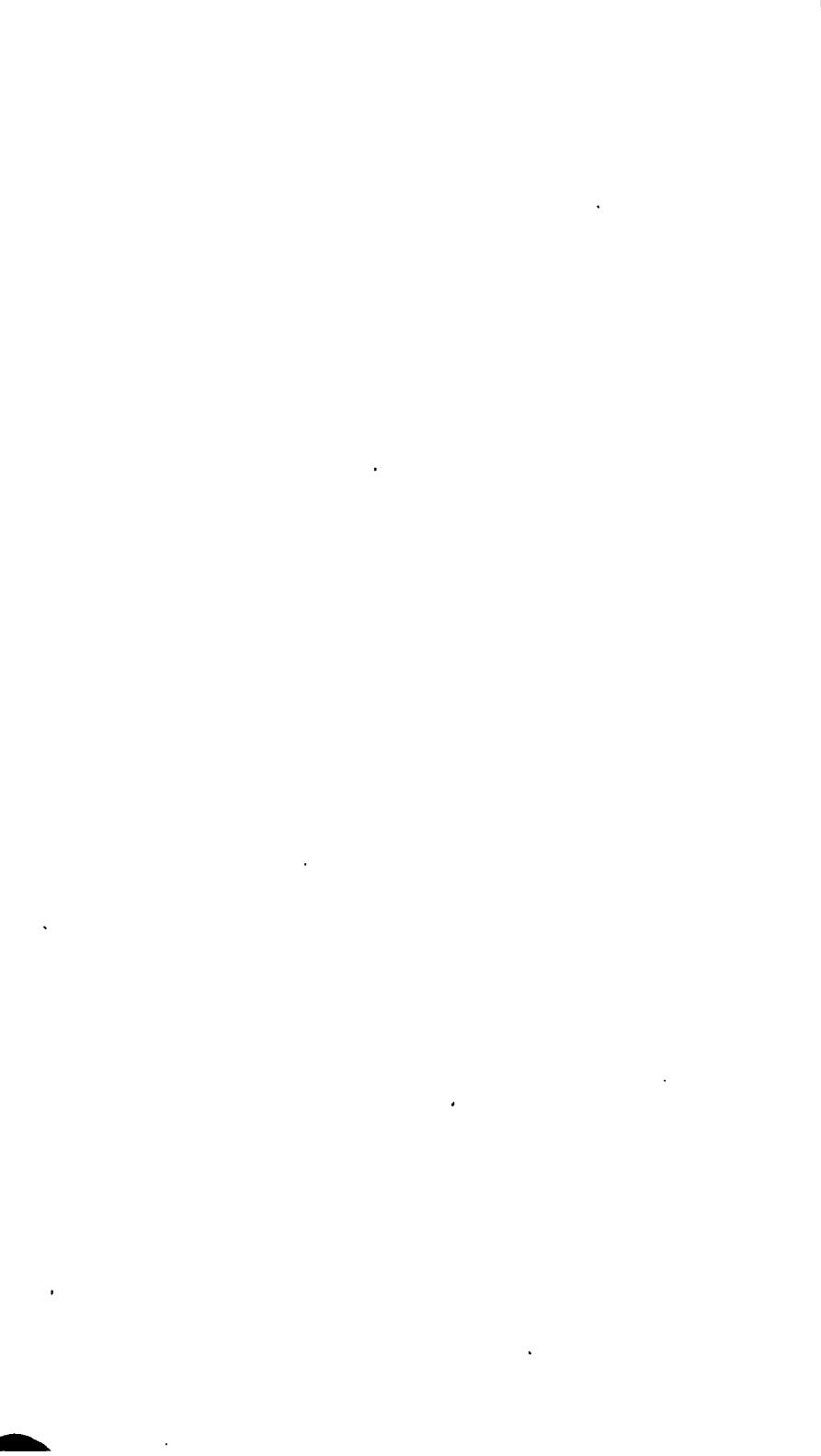
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## - PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

## Rochester, Thursday, October 3d, 1839.

This being the day fixed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western New York, for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the same,

The Right Rev. WILLIAM HEATHCOTE DE LANCEY, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, with a number of the Clergy and Laity, assembled at half past 10 o'clock A. M. in St. Luke's Church, in the city of Rochester, the place appointed by the Bishop for the meeting.

Morning Prayers were read by the Rev. Gordon Winslow, assisted by the Rev. J. V. Van Ingen, who read the lessons; and a sermon was preached by the Rev. Pierre A. Proal, D. D. The Bishop then administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, in which he was assisted by the Rev. J. C. Rudd, D. D., Rev. Bethel Judd, D. D., and Rev. Lucius Smith.

The Convention having been called to order by the Bishop, the Secretary of the last Convention proceeded, under his direction, to call the names of such of the Clergy in the Diocese of Western New York, as by the constitution are entitled to seats in the Convention, when the following gentlemen answered to their names and took their seats as members, viz:

Right Rev. William Heathcote De Lancey, D. D., the Rev. Charles G. Ackly, Samuel G. Appleton, Henry S. Attwater, Amos G. Baldwin, James A. Bolles, William W. Bostwick, Nathan B. Busgess, Clement M. Butler, Lucius Carter, Tapping R. Chipman, Joseph T. Clark, Ebenezer H. Cressey, George Denison, William E. Eigenbrodt, George B. Engle, Benjamin Hale, D. D., Cicero S.

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Cayuga	St. Peter's, Auburn	Charles Richardson.
	Trinity, Elmira	
•	• •	T. H. Maxwell.
Erie	St. Paul's, Buffalo	George B. Webster.
	Trinity, Buffalo	<del></del>
		Dyer Tillinghast.
Genesee	St. James, Batavia	
•	•	Shubel Dunham,
	·	Richard Smith,
		John Thorp,
		William A. Seaver.
	St. Mark's, Le Roy	
		Alfred F. Bartow,
		Russel Sampson.
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		John Hawkes,
		Henry E. Rochester,
	•	William Pitkin.
	St. Luke's, Brockport	
•		Manly C. Sadler.
	St. Paul's, Lewiston	
Ū	Christ, Lockport	Thomas C. Servoss.
Onondaga	Zion, Onondaga	Jonas Earll, Jun.,
	_	Harvey Loomis.
	St. Paul's, Syracuse	
Ontario	St. John's, Canandaigua	Chauncey Morse,
	_	Wm. S. Philpot.
	Trinity, Geneva	James Reese,
	-	Charles D. Cooper,
		James H. Woods,
	•	Joseph G. Swift.
	St. Paul's, Richmond	Jonathan Talmadge,
•		Daniel Holmes.
Seneca	Trinity, Seneca Falls	Senter M. Giddings.
	St. Paul's, Waterloo	P. F. Mumford,
		Sidney Warner.
Tioga	St. Paul's, Owego	Gad Worthington.
Tompkins	Christ, Danby	Alva Finch.
	Zion, Palmyra	
<b>-</b>	•	Geo. W. Cuyler.
	St. John's, Sodus	Oren Gaylord,
	<del>-</del>	Wm. Edwards.

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The Bishop then, in compliance with the Canon, delivered the following

### ADDRESS:

In presenting to the Convention the following record of my Episcopal acts, agreeably to the Canon of the General Convention, I embrace the first opportunity afforded to me, to express my grateful sense of the kindness evinced in the appropriation to me of a sum to aid in the removal of my family to the Diocese, by the Convention at Auburn.

Immediately after my consecration, in pursuance of the appointments made at that time, I proceeded to Geneva, Ontario county, where for the present I had determined to reside, and on Sunday, the 12th of May, in the morning I preached in Trinity Church, and coufirmed thirty-one persons. I preached again in the same church in the afternoon.

On Menday evening, the 13th May, I preached in St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, and on Wednesday the 15th May, I preached both morning and evening in Trinity Church, Utica. After these services I proceeded to Philadelphia to make arrangements for the removal of my family to Geneva.

Finding it impracticable to bring on my family as early as I had anticipated, in consequence of my house not being prepared for me at Geneva, and unwilling to lose so important a period of the year, I determined to commence my primary visitation, contrary to my original intention, in the eastern instead of the western division of the Diocese.

On the 20th of June, therefore, I preached in St. Peter's Church, Oriskany, Oneida county, and confirmed two persons.

On the 21st of the same month, I preached at St. Paul's Church, Holland Patent. A violent rain prevented the congregation generally from assembling. Hobart Hall, situated in this parish, though still in its infancy, affords promise if duly patronized, of being an efficient and useful institution.

The 23rd of June, I spent in Rome, and preached twice to full congregations in Zion Church.

On the 24th of June, in St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, I preached, and confirmed six persons.

On the 25th of June, I was at Paris Hill, where also I preached. Returning to Utica, I started for Turin, Lewis county, and by travelling all night, was enabled to fulfil my appointment by preaching and administering the communion at St. Paul's Church, which at present is without a pastor. I did not officiate in the chapel at Constableville; only one service, as I understood, being expected. It is to be hoped that this parish will not long be left without the ministrations of a servant of the sanctuary.

At Lowville, in the same county, on the 27th, I read prayers, preached and administered the communion in the morning in the Methodist meeting house kindly granted to us for the purpose, and in the afternoon, read prayers, preached, and confirmed one person in the same place. The few zealous Churchmen of this village will I hope soon have a church edifice erected for their use, and thus be enabled most effectually to secure the permanent services of a missionary.

Saturday the 30th was spent at Brownville, Jefferson county, where I preached and administered the Holy Communion in St. Paul's Church, and admitted the Rev. Ferdinand Rogers, deacon, to the Holy Order of Priests. Among the clergy present on this first occasion of my imparting the ministerial commission, was the Rev. P. A. Proal of Utica, who having joined me at Lowville afforded me the advantage and gratification of his company and aid throughout the residue of my visitation.

On the afternoon of the same day, I preached at Trinity Church, Watertown. The newly appointed Rector, the Rev. John F. Fish, had not then arrived, but has since, as I learn, entered upon his duties in the parish.

Sunday, the 30th, I spent at Pierrepont Manor, where in the morning I preached in Zion Church, and administered the Holy Communion, and in the afternoon preached again, and confirmed twenty persons. The attendance on both services was large, and I was much gratified by witnessing the success with which the efforts of the pastor and parish have been attended.

At Sackett's Harbor, on the 1st of July, I preached in Christ Church, and confirmed seven persons.

July 2d, was spent at Oswego, Oswego county, where in Christ

Church I preached, and confirmed eighteen persons. At the evening service, the Rev. Mr. Proal preached.

At Fulton, in the same county, I preached on the morning of the 3rd of July, in the unfinished church edifice which had been temporarily fitted up for the purpose of worship, and confirmed seven persons; and in the afternoon of that day I preached in the very neat church building recently erected at Nut Hill, at the expense of Col. John E. Hinman, of Utica.

On the morning of the 4th of July, I preached in the Presbyterian meeting house at *Baldwinsville*, Onondaga county, to the congregation of Grace Church, who are still without a church edifice, though it is hoped, more fully awakened to the determination of supplying themselves with a sanctuary of their own.

I was at Syracuse on the 5th July, where I preached in St. Paul's Church, and confirmed fifteen persons. I had already officiated once before in this church. Its rector was absent on account of ill health on both occasions, and his place is temporarily supplied by the Rev. William Walton, deacon.

In the afternoon of the same day, I preached at Geddes, where I baptized one child and confirmed one person.

On the 6th of July, I preached in the morning at St. John's Church, Marcellus, which is now, as a missionary station, supplied by the services of the Rev. Thomas J. Ruger.

At Skaneateles, on the afternoon of the same day, I preached in St. James' Church, and confirmed seven persons. This church has withdrawn from its connexion with Marcellus, as a missionary station, and having secured the entire services of the Rev. Joseph T. Clark is fully supplied on an independent footing.

On Sunday, the 7th July, I preached in the morning at Zion Church, Onondaga Hill, and confirmed three persons, and in the afternoon, at St. Mark's Church, Jamesville, where I confirmed two persons. At an evening service held in the latter church, the Rev. Mr. Proal preached.

I preached on Monday, the 8th July, at Trinity Church, Fayette-ville, in the morning, where I confirmed two persons; and in the afternoon at Christ Church, Manlius, I preached, and confirmed six persons.

On the 9th of July, in the merning, I preached at Christ Church, Pompey, and confirmed ten persons; and in the afternoon preached again, in the Methodist meeting house at Pompey Hill.

I was at Homer, Cortland county, on the 11th July, preached in Calvary Church, baptized one adult, and confirmed nine persons. The rector, the Rev. Mr. Gregory, was absent in the service of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Board, and his place supplied by the Rev. George Ogle, deacon. He is expected to return and to resume his Parish duties in October.

At Binghamton, Broome county, on the 12th July, I preached in Christ Church in the afternoon, and confirmed ten persons.

On the 13th July, at St. Luke's Church, *Harpersville*, Broome county, I preached in the afternoon, baptized one adult and confirmed seven persons.

Sunday, the 14th July, I spent at *Bainbridge*, and in St. Peter's Church, in the morning, I admitted the Rev. Wm. E. Eigenbrodt, deacon, to the Holy Order of Priests. In the afternoon I preached, and confirmed twelve persons.

On the 15th July, I had the pleasure of instituting the Rev. John V. Van Ingen into the rectorship of Zion Church, Greene, Chenango county, and preached on the occasion, the instituted Rector administering the Holy Communion. In the afternoon of the same day I confirmed fourteen persons, on which occasion the Rev. Mr. Proal preached the sermon.

At Oxford, on the 16th July, I preached in the morning at St. Paul's Church, and confirmed ten persons. In the asternoon, service was held and the Rev. Mr. Proal preached.

At Fayetteville, in Christ Church, I preached on the morning of the 17th, and confirmed nine persons; and in the afternoon of the same day, I preached at Grace Church, Mount Upton. The former church is for the present supplied by the Rev. D. Huntington, who has not yet presented to me his letter of dismission; and the latter has been destitute of services since the lamented death of the Rev. S. S. Rogers.

On Thursday, July 18th, I was at Norwich. In Emmanuel Church I preached and confirmed three persons, and administered the Holy Communion.

At New Berlin, in the asternoon of July 19th, I preached in St. Andrew's Church.

On Saturday, the 20th July, I preached in Christ Church, Sher-burne, which was destitute of a pastor. Two persons were confirmed. Since that time the parish has obtained the services of the Rev. Thomas Towell, who has been canonically transferred to this diocese.

I spent Sunday, the 21st July, at Hamilton, in Madison county. Services were held in the Methodist meeting house, which was kindly offered to our use. I preached and administered the Communion in the morning; and in the afternoon, preached and confirmed eight persons.

At Perryville, in the same county, on the 22d July, I preached in St. Stephen's Church, baptized one child and one adult, and administered the Holy Communion in the morning; and in the afternoon preached again and confirmed six persons.

I visited Canandaigua on the 18th of August, and preached in St. John's Church in that village twice. In the morning I baptized one adult; and in the afternoon I confirmed eleven persons.

The new edifice for the congregation of Grace Church, in Utica, having been prepared for consecration, I visited Utica, and on the 24th of August, consecrated it to the service of Almighty God. In the afternoon of the next day, Sunday the 25th of August, I administered the rite of confirmation in the same Church, on which occasion nine were confirmed.

In Trinity Church, on the morning of the same Sunday, I preached, and confirmed fifteen. The next day, the 27th of August, I preached again in Grace Church, and admitted the Rev. Albert C. Patterson, deacon, the Rector of the church, to the Priesthood, and also confirmed one person.

In the erection of their small but neat and handsome sanctuary, the congregation of Grace Church have set an example of erecting a church within their means, unencumbered by debt, which example, I trust, will not be lost upon the diocese. The embarrassment of debt is an incubus difficult alike to bear or to remove. It is better for the interests of religion to erect small edifices in the first instance, and thus escape the onerousness of the burden, than to en-

cumber the parish and the pastor with a load which is calculated to sink the energies of the one, and frustrate the prosperity of the other.

On the 29th August, at Auburn in the presence of several of his brethren, of his sorrowing flock, and of a large body of his fellow citizens, I performed in conjunction with my Reverend brethren, Messrs. Wheeler and Clark, the last melancholy offices for our friend and brother, the Rev. William Lucas, late Rector of St. Peter's Church, Auburn, who, though long under the power of disease, was yet most suddenly removed from us at the moment when the human eye detected nought but symtoms of returning health and vigor. On this sorrowful occasion I preached the funeral sermon. His devotion to Christ and the Church, his talents and piety, his prudence, sound judgment and firmness of principle, had already secured to him the confidence of the diocese; and while he has left to us all an example to be followed, his death sends forth its solemn warning to us, my clerical brethren, to be faithful in the stewardship for which we must finally, and may suddenly be called to give an account.

Having removed my family to Geneva, I resumed my primary visitation of the diocese, by officiating at Zion Church, Avon, Livingston county, Sept. 1st, in which church I preached, and confirmed two persons.

In the afternoon of the same day I preached at St. Michael's Church, Geneseo, where I confirmed five persons.

Sept. 2d, I preached in the morning in St. John's Church, Mount Morris, and confirmed four persons; and in the evening of the same day I preached in the Lutheran Church at Dansvills.

Sept. 3rd, I preached in the morning in the Presbyterian Church in Nunda, in which town it is hoped an Episcopal church will soon be organized. The afternoon I spent at Hunt's Hollow, Alleghany county, where in St. Mark's Church I preached, and confirmed four persons.

The next morning, the 4th Sept., I visited an interesting section of this parish at *Portage*, Middle Falls, where reside several families of ardent and zealous friends of the Church. Here a lot is already appropriated to the building of a church edifice, and a church will be organized as soon as sufficient numerical strength is imparted to the body of churchmen. The increasing importance of the place,

its present auspices into the substantial regard of the community, evinced not more by the increase in the number of its students, than by the elevated character of its instruction and discipline.

The following is a summary of my services:-

I have preached eighty-two times in the diocese and fifteen times in churches out of it.

Administered the Holy Communion twelve times.

Baptised four adults and two infants.

Consecrated two churches.

Instituted one clergyman,

Ordained three priest.

Confirmed four hundred and eighty-two persons.

In the performance of these duties I have travelled about fifteen hundred miles within the limits of the diocese, and two thousand miles beyond it, making in all, inclusive of my visit to Auburn for the solemnities of the consecration, thirty-five hundred miles.

There remain to be visited thirty-two churches, the most of which I hope, God willing, to visit before Christmas.

The present number of clergymen canonically connected with this diocese is eighty-two.

Seven clergymen have been received into the diocese, and one has died, since the convention in May, at which the number reported was seventy-six.

The changes among the clergy other than those already noticed are as follows, viz:—

The Rev. Thomas J. Ruger has accepted the charge of St. John's Church, Marcellus, Onondaga county, as a missionary, which had been relinquished by the Rev. Joseph T. Clarke, together with the missionary stipend. The services of Mr. Clarke are now confined to St. James' Church, Skaneateles, in the same county.

The Rev. Eli Wheeler, from the diocese of Connecticut, has been canonically transferred to this diocese, and has become the Rector of St. Paul's Church, Waterloo, Seneca county.

. The Rev. Charles G. Ackly has become the Rector of Trinity Church, Seneca Falls, in Seneca county.

The Rev. Stephen C. Millett having been transferred to this diocese from that of Massachuzetts, has been appointed the missionary

at Jamesville and Pompey in Onondaga county, which are now united as a missionary station.

The Rev. John P. Fenner having been transferred to this diocese from that of Rhode Island, is the missionary at Fayetteville, Onondaga county, which having been separated from Jamesville, is now a missionary station by itself.

The Rev. Thomas Towell has been transferred to this diocese from the diocese of New York, and has become the Missionary at Sherburne, Chenango county.

The Rev. Beardsley Northrop has ceased to be the missionary at West Avon, Livingston county, and the Rev. T. M. Leavenworth having been canonically transferred to this diocese from Ohio, has been appointed the missionary at that place.

The Rev. George Ogle, deacon, has ceased to be the assistant minister of Calvary Church, Homer, Cortland county.

The Rev. Marshall Whiting has relinquished the missionary station at Onondaga Hill and Geddes, Onondaga county.

The Rev. Seth Davis having been canonically transferred from Ohio to this diocese, is now laboring in a newly organized parish at Bridgewater, Oneida county.

The Rev. William Walton, deacon, having been canonically transferred to this diocese from New York, has been for several months past officiating in St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, supplying the place of the Rev. John B. Gallagher, who was compelled by ill health to resort to a temporary change of climate; but whose return to his duties in a short time is confidently expected.

The Rev. Amos G. Baldwin has relinquished the Missionary station at Mayville, and Jamestown, Chautauque county; the church at Mayville has been connected with that at Westfield, under the pastoral care of the Rev. Nathaniel Huse. Mr. Baldwin is now officiating as missionary at Montezuma and Cayuga Bridge, Cayuga county.

The Rev. Humphrey Hollis has relinquished the Missionary station at South Danby, Tompkins county, and Candor, Tioga county, and taken charge of the station consisting of Richford, Tioga county, and McLean, Tompkins county.

The Rev. Thomas Meachem, has ceased to be the minister of

Trinity Church, Centrefield, Ontario county, and has become the Missionary at Allen's Hill, in the same county.

The Rev. Albert C. Patterson has been canonically transferred from the Diocese of Massachusetts to this diocese; and has been appointed Rector of Grace Church, Utica, Oneida county.

The candidates for Orders in this diocese are:

Of these, Messrs. Cooper and Nickerson were received from the Diocese of New York, and Mr. Bourns from that of Pennsylvania.

My reception in the sevaral parishes throughout the diocese has been of the most cordial and affectionate character; and my ministrations have been received in the kindest spirit. I beg to put on record this expression of my sincere and fervent acknowledgments for the hospitality and affection evinced towards me in every portion of the diocese, by both the clergy and the laity. Acquaintances have been made with both which time and intercourse will, I trust, coment into a friendship which, outlasting the brief existence of earth, will extend its satisfactions and joys into the eternal world. I have found in the affectionate courtesy and kind attentions of the diocese, renewed incentives to faithfulness and zeal in its service; and with humble thankfulness to God for having cast my lot in such pleasant places, I look to His grace to enable me to concentrate all my energies of mind and body upon the great work for which, in His providence I have been commissioned.

Among the subjects to which I beg to direct the early and earnest attention of the Convention, as the result of my observation of the condition and prospects of the diocese, are the following:—

- 1. The adoption of some uniform plan for securing enlarged contributions to the Missionary and Education Funds, and other Church objects.
- 2. The providing a blank form of Parochial Report, to be sent to each clergyman a month before each Annual Cenvention, to be filled up by him and sent to the Bishop, as the canon directs.

- 3. An earnest recommendation to the several parishes not yet provided with parsonages for the residence of their clergy, of that most important measure, as one of the most effectual means of securing their services most usefully to the parish, and most advantage ously to the Church.
- 4. A similar recommendation of punctuality in the payment of the stipulated salaries of the clergy, by their parishes.
- 5. The providing for the increase of the capital of the fund for the support of the Episcopate.
- 6. The suggestion of some plan in organizing new parishes, making judicious provision for securing an ample revenue to the Church.

In treating of these topics I throw myself upon the sober judgment and Christian feelings of the Convention, and I have no doubt that they will receive with kindness suggestions made in all frankness, and with a sincere desire to fulfil my own duty, and promote the welfare of the Church and the good of the parishes and clergy.

In bringing out the liberality of the diocese to bear upon the several Church objects, the success of which is essential to its prosperity, I know of no mode so simple, so little complicated by machinery, and so likely to be permanently effectual, as that of regular monthly collections or contributions by the several churches.

In some of our churches the beneficence of the people is drawn out by the agency of societies. In others the system of weekly offerings is adopted. In others special collections are made. And in some, I fear, very little attention is given to this important subject.

The plan which I propose, will make us all, I trust, "work together for good."

Contributions are required for the following objects:-

Missions.

Education.

Expenses of State and General Conventions.

Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

Distribution of Bibles and Prayer-books.

Sunday Schools.

The General Seminary.

These objects require uniform and steady streams of Christian

Church, and such as commend themselves to the sober judgments and pious feelings of every considerate lover of the Church of Christ. In our own diocese, missions and education will, for our lives, and long after we shall be gathered to our fathers, remain objects around which will cluster the best affections and dutiful zeal of churchmen. It is the obvious duty of every congregation, weak or strong, to unite in the effort to promote these sacred objects. It is equally the duty of individuals to sustain and foster them.

On the abstract questions, therefore, of the necessity and duty of endeavoring to promote these objects, it is hardly necessary to detain the Convention with arguments.

I would suggest the following plan to the consideration of the Convention, to be adopted as a Regulation of the Church in this diocese.

In every parish in this diocese there shall be monthly collections for church objects, to be made regularly on the second Sunday of each month, (unless some other mode of raising stated contributions for the same be already in operation).

It shall be the duty of every clergyman to give due notice of these collections, and to call the attention of the congregation to their importance and claims.

It shall be the duty of the Wardens of every parish to forward the proceeds of the collections or contributions to the Treasurer of the Convention, designating for what particular church object the contribution is intended; and if no object be thus specified, the amount forwarded shall be held subject to appropriation to diocesan objects.

It shall be the duty of the diocesan treasurer to hold all moneys received by him subject to appropriation by a Board for church objects, and to pay them upon order of the Board.

The Bishop and Standing Committee, as at present empowered, shall constitute the Board for church objects in this diocese. They shall apply all monies specifically intended by the donors to the object named by them. All other monies shall be appropriated to such church objects in the diocese, and in such proportions as they may deem most conducive to the good of the Church.

The diocesan objects are:—Missions, Education, the expenses of the Convention, the distribution of Bibles, Prayer-books, Sunday-school books and Tracts, and the increase of the Episcopal Fund.

The Treasurer shall also receive contributions for church objects sent to him by benevolent individuais, or by churches, or by societies not belonging to this diocese, which contributions shall be applied or appropriated as provided for above. He shall report annually to the Convention the amounts received and disbursed by him, and his accounts shall be annually audited by the Standing Committee of the diocese.

The Board for church objects shall report annually a statement of the amount thus raised, the objects to which it has been applied, the churches which have contributed, with the amount by each; and also the churches which have failed to make and forward their contributions; which report, or an abstract of the same, shall be appended to the Journal.

Such is the plan which I venture to suggest to you as the result of much reflection, and no little study and observation of the various modes now in operation in the several dioceses for similar purposes.

It should be the duty of this Board for church objects to effect an early and complete reorganization of our Missionary and Education system, classifying the missionary parishes, and limiting the period for the reception of the missionary stipend, and providing for scattered families of Episcopalians.

If the plan proposed is zealously sustained and urged by the clergy, and fully explained to the lay members of the several parishes, I entertain no doubt of its ultimate success.

As an earnest, I trust, of what may be expected from the liberality of our lay brethren, I venture to mention that by one of them there was put into my hands, this morning, a written engagement to pay \$1250 for the support of two missionaries in the diocese, for five years from 1st of January, payable in quarterly payments.

The whole contribution of this diocese towards diocesan missions and education, from the 10th of October, 1833, to the 10th of August, 1839, as reported to me by the Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Society, is \$761, by forty churches, making an average of \$19 for each church. The Diocesan Fund, as reported by the Treasurer of the diocese, is \$514.

The whole number of parishes on the missionary stipend, as reported to me by the Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Society, is fifty-five

The number of the beneficiaries on the Education stipend, is, I believe, five.

It will be seen at once, that to uphold so extended a system of operations, a vigorous effort will be needed on our part. We nerve the force of this appeal with increased strength, when we remember in how many places in the diocese the call for missionaries is heard, and that by some plan of district missionaries, the efficiency of our missionary operations, the good of the Church, and the spiritual welfare of many scattered families, may be greatly promoted.

Among the prominent objects of every Missionary Parish should be that of becoming, as soon as possible, independent of assistance derived from sources exterior to itself. The relation of this diocese to missionary and education funds from the other diocese will doubtless soon be greatly changed. The probability is, that, as already intimated to me, the canon passed by the convention, at Utica, in 1838, will be rescinded by the Convention of New York, now in session, and the funds supplied to us from that quarter be given in another form, and limited to three or four years. There is no question but that the action of that diocese towards this will always be kind and liberal, guaranteed as it is by sympathy of feeling and principle, and the close relation in which we must ever stand to them. Sooner or later, however, we must be thrown wholly upon our own resources; and immediate steps should be taken to prepare ourselves This is to be done, 1st, by the stronger missionary parishes becoming independent of the missionary stipend; and 2nd, by the whole diocese adepting a plan of contribution, (as I have suggested,) to aid the weaker churches, and to establish new missionary stations.

We are an infant diocese, it is true, but upon this infant are now thrown the duties and responsibilities of a man. The muscles and sinews of its zeal and liberality can only be invigorated by exercise. Let us be found, one and all, in united and hearty co-operation in the great work before us, "doing what our hand findeth to do with our might," and lifting our hearts in daily intercessions at the throne of grace for His blessing who can meisten the most arid soil, and

even bring water out of the stony rock. With deep anxiety, and the strongest convictions of the importance of the subject, I commend it, in all its bearings, to the consideration of the Convention.

The other matters suggested will require but few observations.

The adoption of a blank form of Parochial Report, will help to impart accuracy to our statistics, and much relieve the labor and difficulty of preparing the reports for publication in the Journal of the Convention.

The importance of having every parish provided with a parsonage for the residence of the clergyman and family, with a few acres of land attached to it in the country parishes, has been brought home to me very forcibly by the fact that some of the clergy have been compelled to resign their parishes in consequence of not being able to obtain a house to reside in, and many others subjected to very great inconvenience. It is necessary, also, in order to prevent the frequent changes of the clergy from parish to parish, so much complained of, as well as constituting one of the most effective means of sustaining the pastor, and attaching him to the parish, by the charms and comforts of a home, from which nought but duty or the exigencies of the church should separate him.

I name, also, the recommendation of punctuality in the payment of the stipulated salaries of the clergy, by their parishes, as a matter of obvious moment to the former, and of duty on the part of the latter. While I urge upon the clergy their solemn responsibilities as ministers of Christ, to be faithful, zealous, and unwearied in their labors for the salvation of the souls of the people of their charge, and point to the commands of Him who is the Master and Judge of all, with similar fidelity am I bound to remind you, my lay brethren, of the necessity and duty of a faithful fulfilment of those stipulations which are made for their support, and to point you to the command of the same Saviour and Judge, as alike the source and the sanction of both their and your obligations. If this subject were committed to a committee of lay members, some useful suggestions of a practical nature would doubtless be laid before the Convention, in a Report, which would thus go before the parishes throughout the diocese.

With equal advantage might be entrusted to a committee, the consideration of some plan in organizing new parishes, for securing

an ample revenue to the parish for the support of the pastor, and for its contingent expenses.

The increase of the capital of the Episcopal Fund of the diocese, I name also, as a matter not to be lost sight of in providing, as we must, for an expanding Church, in a land rapidly increasing in population, and where augmented expenses of living must of necessity proceed pari passu with the growth of the country, and the increase of consumption, and where a few years to come will find us as much in advance of the present period as the present period is of a few years now past.

Among the events exterior to the diocese, which it is proper to notice, is the lamented death of the Right Rev. Dr. Bowen, Bishop of South Carolina, whose piety, wisdom and talents, rendered him an able counsellor in the general affairs of the Church, as well as a faithful overseer in the important diocese over which he presided for nearly twenty-one years; and which now claims, under its recent bereavements, our tenderest sympathies and earnest prayers.

I have thus noticed, in detail, the points which properly belong to an address like the present. While the diocese is suffering greatly by the frequent removals of zealous and liberal laymen, and their families, to more remote regions, westward or elsewhere, weakening the parishes, and often disheartening both the pastor and the people who remain, yet, the condition of the Church is, in many respects, cause of sincere thankfulness to God. Its entire freedom from those entangling and distracting topics and questions which, however properly they may occupy individual attention, can never penetrate ecclesiastical bodies and sway their action, without injury on all sides; its steady adherence to the system of quiet zeal and unobtrusive labors, and its utter repudiation of the heat and extravagance which have scorched and scathed so many religious communities; its strong attachment to the principles and policy which aim to combine all hearts and hands, untramelled by exterior influences in the zealous promotion of evangelical truth and apostolic order; its awakening and growing interest in the great work of rousing men within and without its fold, to the vast concerns of an eternal life; and the attractive aspect in which its order, harmony, peace and steadiness present the fold of Christ to a distracted, fluctuating, unsettled age; all these are subjects of humble thanksgiving

to Him "who stilleth the raging of the sea, and the noise of his waves, and the madness of the people."

They constitute the most imperative reasons for us, my brethren, to labor and pray with increased fervor and diligence, that throughout every section of this part of the body of Christ, its pulsations may beat with the vigorous vitality of healthful zeal, spiritual purity, and universal holiness.

I conclude with an earnest intercession at the throne of grace, that the spirit of wisdom and understanding may be vouchsafed to all of us; and that God may, for his blessed Son's sake, guide and direct our present deliberations to his glory and the good of the Church, which he purchased with his own blood.

WILLIAM H. DE LANCEY.

Whereupon, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Proal,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the subject of uniform monthly contributions for the benevolent operations of the Church, be referred to a committee of three clergymen and three laymen to report to this Convention.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Messrs. Lucius Smith, Bowles and Irving, and Messrs. Tillinghast, Luce and Swift, the committee.

On motion of the same,

Resolved, that so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the subject of blank forms for parochial reports, be referred to a committee of three clergymen.

The Rev. Messrs. Van Ingen, Metcalf and Winslow, were appointed the committee.

On motion of the same,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the providing of parsonages, or glebes, and the permanent support of the clergy, be referred to a committee of three laymen.

Messrs. Earll, Pierrepont and Reese, were appointed.

On motion of the same,

Resolved, That the Right Rev. the Bishop be added to the above committees.

On motion of the same,

Resolved, That the portion of the Bishop's Address which relates to the fund for the support of the Episcopate, be referred to a comtee of three clergymen and three laymen, to report to this Convention.

The Rev. Messrs, McCarty, Murray and J. T. Clark, of the clergy, and Messrs. J. H. Woods, E. Smith Lee, and H. E. Rochester, were appointed the committee.

On motion of the Rev. C. S. Hawks,

Resolved, That a committee of three, to consist of one clergy-man and two laymen, be appointed for the purpose of recommending to this Convention a suitable plan for the foundation of any new parishes hereafter to arise in this diocese.

The Rev. Mr. Hawks and Messrs. Vincent Matthews and G. B. Webster, were appointed the committee.

The Chair then announced the following Standing Committees:

On the admission into union with this Convention of Churches applying for the same,

Rev. H. J. Whitehouse, D. D., Messrs. Joseph G. Swift and Vincent Matthews.

## On the Diocesan Fund,

Rev. Dr.'s Shelton and Hale, Messrs. James Resse and E. Smith Lee.

## On the Accounts of the Treasurer,

Messrs. George B. Webster, Harvey Luce and Harvey Loomis.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Whitehouse, the Convention then proceeded to the appointment of a Treasurer. A vote by ballot was, on motion, unanimously dispensed with, when Wm. S. Philpot, Esq., was nominated and appointed.

The Rev. Dr. Judd, from the committee appointed at the Special Convention to devise ways and means to support travelling missionaries, whose duty it shall be to visit, instruct and console members of the church too remote from any place of worship, made the following Report, which, on motion of Rev. Mr. McCarty, was referred to the Standing Committee of the Diocese:

The Committee appointed at the Convention held in St. Peter's Church, Auburn, in May, 1839, on a resolution to device ways and means to support Travelling Missionaries, beg leave to report:—

That from information obtained from various sources, and from a persuasion that it is too common to pass unnoticed, that there are vast numbers of persons, of various ages and stations, who have been educated in the bosom of the Epucopal Church, that by remoteness from any organized congregation, are not favored with her ministrations and ordinances, a misfortune on their part much to be deplored, and implying a neglect on the part of the favored brethren of this communion to be speedily remedied; and your Committee can discover no means more efficient to comfort and relieve their dispersed and destitute brethren, than by sending them faithful ministers, devoted laborers, who, feeling their necossities, are willing to make sacrifices for their benefit; to effect which, the following resolutions are respectfully submitted to the Convention.

RESOLVED, That ( ) travelling missionaries be appointed by the Bishop, to visit and preach the gospel and administer the ordinances in such destitute places as he may direct, and to report to him their acts and doings as often as he shall deem it important, to be laid annually before the Convention.

RESOLVED, That the Bishop be authorized and requested to appoint some suitable agent to collect contributions and subscriptions in such manner as the Bishop may direct, and to place the same with the Treasurer of the Diocese, subject to the draft

of the ecclesiastical authority of the same.

RESULVED, That under the impression that many charitable members of the Church in the Diocese of New York, knowing our wants, may be disposed to aid us in this benevolent enterprize, that with the consent and approbation of the Bishop of the same, the agent be permitted to solicit contributions and subscriptions in said diocese.

RESOLVED, That it be considered the duty of all travelling missionaries to take up collections and to receive subscriptions in aid of the funds of this missionary depart-

ment, and to account to the Treasurer for the same.

RESOLVED, That it be considered the duty of the members of our Church, individually and collectively, to make all reasonable efforts to aid and sustain the mission-aries in their pious and benevolent operations.

The Secretary then, in behalf of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution and Canons, presented the following

#### REPORT:

The Committee to whom were referred the Constitution and Canons respectfully report:

That three subjects were committed to them, viz:

- I. Whether in making alterations in the Constitution and Canons the VIIIth Article of the present Constitution, and the XVIIIth Canon are binding on the Convention;
- II. Whether any, and what changes are necessary in the Constitution, and the proposed amendments of the same;
  - III. Whether any, and what changes are necessary in the Canons of the Diocese.

Having deliberately considered the subject, in regard to the first point the committee are of opinion that Article VIII and Canon XVIII are as much binding as any ether article of the constitution and canons received from the General Convention; and that in making the alterations of the Constitution and Canons, the Convention must be governed by the provisions of the same.

In regard to the second point,—the alterations of the Constitution,—the committee recommend to the house the adoption of the following resolutions, viz:

RESOLVED 1, That Article I. be amended so as to read as follows:

ART. I. There shall be a Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western New York on the Wednesday next preceding the last Wednesday in the month of September in each year, in such place as shall be determined by the Bishop for the time being, or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee. In the event of the prevalence of any epidemic disease, or for other sufficient cause, occurring after the designation of the place of the meeting of the Annual Convention, the Bishop, or in case of histinability to act, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee may appoint another place for the meeting of the Convention.

RESOLVED 2. That article III. be amended so as to read as follows, viz:

The Convention shall be composed of the officiating ministers, being regularly admitted and settled in some church within this diocese which is in union with this convention; and of lay members consisting of one or more delegates, not exceeding

three from each church, to be chosen by the vestry or congregation; and clergymen employed as missionaries under the direction of this Convention; and clergymen engaged as professors or instructors of youth in any college, academy, or general seminary of learning duly incorporated; and clergymen of this diocese, who are disabled by age or, infirmity from holding any parochial cure, may be members of the Convention.

RESOLVED 3, That the following words be added to Article IV of the Constitution, vis:

"And in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate by the Standing Committee."

RESOLVED 4, That article V1. be amended to read as follows, viz:

A Secretary shall be chosen upon the assembling of the Annual Convention from among the members thereof, who shall remain in office until the meeting of the next Annual Convention, and until a successor be appointed. His duty shall be to take minutes of their proceedings, to preserve their journals and records, to attest the public acts of the body, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers relative to the concerns of the convention which may be in his possession. It shall also be his duty to give due notice to each minister and vestry of the time and place appointed for the meeting of the succeeding Convention.

In all other respects the committee recommend that the constitution remain unaltered, and that it be appended in full to the Journal of this Convention, with the proposed amendments, as adopted printed in italics, and be entitled

The Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western New York.

In reference to the third, and last point submitted to the consideration of your committee, they have found it too extensive and too important a work to be gone through hastily. The time they have been able to occupy with this subject has not allowed them to digest and mature the alterations which our new condition and relations may render necessary. In order, therefore, to bring the subject more perfectly before the Convention, and enable every member of this body to have the whole matter fully before him, the Committee recommend that this point be continued in charge of the committee, and that they prepare a report upon the same for the next Annual Convention, which report shall be printed with figures before the lines, and distributed by them at least two months prior to the meeting of the next Annual Convention.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed by order of the Committee.

W. H., DE LANCEY, Chairman.

The Treasurer's Report having been handed in, was, on motion, referred to the Standing Committee on the Accounts of the Treasurer.

The Rev. Dr. Rudd, from the Committee appointed at the Primary Convention, to collect documents relative to the division of the diocese of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the state of New York, made a verbal report.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Whitehouse,

Resolved, That the subject be referred to the same Committee, to report at a future Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Whitehouse was appointed on this committee in place of the Rev. Dr. Clark, removed from the diocese.

On motion of Dr. Whitehouse,

Resolved, That the Bishop of the diocese be added to the Committee, appointed at the Primary Convention, on the formation of a Sunday School Depository, and that the said committee be requested to report to-morrow.

On motion,

The Treasurer of the Convention was added to the Special Committee on the fund for the support of the Episcopate.

The Convention adjourned to nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

## FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBOR 4, NINE O'CLOCK.

The Convention met. Morning prayers were read by the Rev. Pierre P. Irving, assisted by the Rev. James A. Bolles, who read the lessons; after which the Bishop took the Chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

At the calling of the roll, the following clergymen, not present yesterday, answered to their names, viz:—Rev. Thomas Meachem, Ferdinand Rogers, and Lloyd Windsor.

Also, the following Lay-delegates appeared and took their seats:

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It was then, on motion,

Unanimously Resolved, That the 20th Rule of Order be suspended, and that the elections thereby directed to be held, be made the order of the day for 12 o'clock.

The Committee on the admission into union with this Convention, of churches applying for the same, made the following Report; and the resolutions therein contained were adopted.

The Committee on the Incorporation of Churches applying for admission into this Convention, beg leave to report,

That they have had before them certificates of Incorporation from

- 1. All Saint's Church, Dexter, Jefferson county, N. Y.
- 2. St. Luke's Church, Royalton, Niagara county, N. Y.
- 3. Christ Church, Bridgewater, Oneida county, N. Y.

That they find the first named correct in the form of the certificate and in its acknowledgements, and with accompanying affidavits of the public notice, &c.

That the second named is also complete in its form and acknowledgment.

That the third is defective in not containing the required acknowledgment before the Chancellor or Judge of the Supreme Court, or Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, which they consider fatal to its validity.

The committee find none of the certificates accompanied by a copy of the minutes of the proceedings before and at the meeting for incorporation, which they consider expedient should in all cases be submitted to the Convention to complete the evidence required of the correct organization according to the dectrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

The committee also beg leave to suggest, that according to their view it is required by Canon IV. Section 2, on the incorporation of churches, that notice should be given to the Bishop of the Diocese of the intention to incorporate, and that his approval of the incorporation of said church should be among the papers submitted by the congregation applying for admission into the Convention.

Your committee therefore submit the following resolutions:

- 1. RESOLVED, That All Saint's Church, Dexter, Jefferson county, and St. Luke's Church, Royalton, Niagara county, be admitted into union with this Convention.
- 2. RESOLVED, That the papers of Christ Church, Bridgewater, Oneida county, being incomplete, be referred back to that parish for correction.

HENRY J. WHITEHOUSE.
JOSEPH G. SWIFT.
VINCENT MATTHEWS.

Rochester, 4th October, 1839.

The question being put separately upon the admission into union with this Convention of each of the churches reported to be regularly incorporated, they were received by the Convention.

Whereupon the following Lay-delegate appeared and took his seat:—

COUNTY. | CHURCH. | LAY-DELEGATE.

Jefferson..... All Saint's, Dexter...... O. Haskell.

The Committee on the Accounts of the Treasurer, presented the following

#### REPORT:

The Committee to whom was referred the Treasurer's account, report

That they have examined the account, and vouchers, and find them to be correct. The receipts and disbursements are exhibited in the accompanying report of the Treasurer, which is respectfully submitted to the Convention.

G. B. WEBSTER, Chairman.

October 4, 1839.

The Treasurer of the Convention respectfully reports: That he has received the following sums, viz:

Amount collected at the Primary Conventi	on at	Geneva it	Novem	ber last	842 00
From Zion Church, Greene, -	-	•	•	•	6 00
St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge,	•	•	•	•	6 00
Zion, Church, Pierrepont Manor,	•	•	•	•	10 00
St. Mark's Church, Penn Yan,	•	•	•	•	7 50
Christ Church, Lockport,	•	•	•	•	4 88
St. John's Church, Vienna,	•	•	•	•	3 83
Christ Church, Manlius,	•	•	•	•	10 00
St. John's Church, Canandaigua,	•	•	•	•	13 00
St. Peter's Church, Auburn,	•	•	•	•	6 83
Zion Church, Onondaga Hill, Apostolic Church, Geddes,	-	•	•	-	4 00
Trinity Church, Centrefield,	•	•	-	<u>•</u>	1 00 2 00
St. John's Church, Medina,	-	_	•	-	2 00
St. Thomas' Church, Bath, and St. J	lames'	Church 1	Hemmon	denort	17 00
St. Paul's Church, Lewiston,	•		Tames	mhre d	8 00
St. Andrew's Church, New Berlin,		•	•	•	7 00
St. Paul's Church, Buffalo,	•	•	•	•	39 00
St. Luke's Church Rochester,	•	•	•	•	9 81
Trinity Church, Utica, -	•	•	•	•	24 79
Grace Church, Utica,	-	•	•	•	13 75
St. Stephen's Church, New Hartfor	d,	•	•	•	5 53
St. Paul's Church, Paris, -	•	•	•	•	8 71
St. John's Church, Marcellus,	•	•	<b>'</b> •	•	5 25
St. James' Church, Skaneateles,	•	•	•	•	11 75
Christ Church, Oswego,	•	•	•	•	29 00
St. John's Church, Sodus,	•	-	•	•	15 55
Grace Church, Rochester,	•	•	•	•	<b>35 00</b>
St. John's Church, Mount Morris,	•	•		•	12 00
St. Mark's Church, Le Roy,	-	•	•	•	10 00
Trinity Church, Geneva,	•	•	•	•	6 00
St. Clement's, Weathersfield, St. James' Church. Batavia,	•	•	•	•	5 00 22 40
Trinity Church, Elmira, -	-	_	_	•	13 00
St. Paul's Church, Syracuse,	•	•	_	-	17 50
St. Mark's church, Hunt's Hollow,	_	•	•	•	6 00
Trinity Church, Seneca Falls,	•	-	•	•	10 00
St. Paul's Church, Angelica,	•	•	•	•	3 90
Grace Church, Baldwinsville,	•	•	•	•	5 00
Zion Church, Palmyra, -	•	• •	•	•	4 00
Emenual Church, Norwich,	•	•	•	-	2 00
Christ Church, South Danby,	•	•	•	•	1 63
St. Mark's Church, Candor,	•	•	-	-	1 00
St. Paul's Church, Holland Patent,		•	•	• '	2 00
St. Peter's Church, Oriskany,	•	•	•	•	2 00
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Trinity Church, Fredonia,		•	•	•	3 42
St. Peter's Church, Jamesville,	•	, -	•	•	2 17
St. Paul's Church, Waterloo,	•	•	•	•	6 50
St. Stephen's Church, Perryville,	•	•	•	-	3 00
St. Paul's Church, Owego,	•	•	•	•	2 00
St. Mark's Church, Forestville,	•	•	•	•	4 50
St. Michael's Church, Geneseo,	•	•	•	•	9 00
Trinity Church, Fayetteville,	•	•	•	•	5 00
Christ Church, Sacket's Harbor,	•	•	•	•	2 00
Christ Church, Pompey,	•	•	•	•	4 00
St. Matthew's Church, Moravia,	•	•	•	•	3 00
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The number of churches in the diocese which have made collections for the use of the Convention, and transmitted the same to the Treasurer, is sixty-one.

W. S. PHILPOT, Treasurer.

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The Treasurer's Report was then, on motion, referred to the Standing Committee on the Diocesan Fund.

The Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address which relates to the subject of uniform contributions, presented the following

#### REPORT:

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to uniform contributions for the benevolent operations of the Church, beg leave to report:—

That they have had the subject under consideration, and in common with the rest of the Convention, feel very deeply the importance of a uniform system of contributions for the benevolent operations of the Church. The present system, if indeed a system it may be called, operates very unequally, while it altogether fails to bring out the pecuniary strength of the Church. One consequence is that it cripples all her operations, confines within a narrow sphere her resources, and utterly fails to advance those high and important interests so indispensable to the character of the diocess.

In order to correct this evil, the Committee have unanimously agreed to adopt the recommendations of the Bishop; and in accordance with this recommendation, beg leave to offer to the Convention the following resolutions:—

RESOLVED, That the following be adopted as a regulation, to take effect on the first of January, 1840:—

In every parish in this diocese there shall be monthly collections for Church objects, to be made regularly on the second (or some other) Sunday of each month—unless some other mode of raising stated contributions for the same be already in operation.

It shall be the duty of every clergyman to give due notice of these collections, and to call the attention of the congregation to their importance and claims.

It shall be the duty of the wardens of every parish to forward the proceeds of the collections or contributions to the Diocesan Treasurer of the Convention, designating for what particular Church object the contribution is intended; and if no object be thus specified, the amount forwarded shall be held subject to appropriation to diocesan objects.

It shall be the duty of the Diocesan Treasurer to hold all monies received by him, subject to appropriation by a Board for Church objects, and to pay them upon order of the Board.

The Bishop and Standing Committee, as at present empowered, shall constitute the Board for Church objects in this diocese. They shall apply all monies specifically intended by the donors to the objects named by them. All other monies shall be appropriated to such Church objects in the diocese, and in such proportions, as they may deem most conducive to the good of the Church.

The diocesan objects are,—

Missions,

Education,

The expenses of the Convention,

The distribution of Bibles, Prayer-books, Sunday School books and Tracts, and The increase of the Episcopal Fund.

The Treasurer shall also receive contributions for Church objects, sent to him by benevolent individuals, or by churches, or societies not belonging to this diocese; which contributions shall be applied or appropriated as provided for above. He shall report annually to the Convention the amounts received and disbursed by him, and his accounts shall be annually audited by the Standing Committee of the diocese.

The Board for Church objects shall report annually a statement of the amount thus raised, the objects to which it has been applied, the churches which have contributed, with the amount by each; and also the churches which have failed to make and forward their contributions;— which report, or an abstract of the same, shall be appended to the Journal.

RESOLVED, That the Bishop be requested to address a Pastoral Letter to the churches of the diocess in relation to the above regulations.

Signed by order of the Committee.

Lucius Smith, Chairman.

The Rev. Mr. Van Ingen, in behalf of the committee to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address which relates to the subject of blank forms for parochial reports, made the following report, which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The committee appointed to prepare a form of Parochial Reports, beg leave to submit the following, viz:

"To the Right Rev. Western New York. Bishop of the Diosess of

Report of the Parish of Church, in , in the county of , for the year ending 18 .

CONGREGATION . Families, ; Adults, ; Children, ; Total

BAPTISMS.—Adults, ; Infants, : Total

CONFIRMED.

COMMUNICANTS. -- Added { Admitted, ; } ; Died or Removed, ; Present No.

MARRIAGES.

BURIALS.

Public Services.—On Sundays, ; On other days, : Total

CHILDREN CATECHISED times.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.— \ Male Teachers, ; Pupils, \ Total—Schools, ; Pupils, \ [Teachers, ; Pupils, ]

MONTHLY COLLEGTIONS.—Total. \$ ; appropriated as follows, viz :--

Note.—The canons require the parishes to contribute annually to the following objects, vis:

REMARKS.

The committee also submit the following:

RESOLVED, That the Secretary be directed to furnish to each of the clergy baving cures in this diocese a copy of this form, with a request that it be filled up and handed or sent to the Bishop; and that he accompany the same with—

1. A notice of the time and place of holding the Convention;

2. And extracts from the constitution and canons relating to the appointment of lay delegates.

3. With a form of certificate of their election.

Respectfully submitted,

Oct. 4, 1839.

J. V. VAN INGEN, Chairman,

The Rev. Mr. McCarty, from the committee to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address which relates to the subject of the Episcopal Fund, presented the following report, which was approved and the resolutions adopted.

#### REPORT:

The committee to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's address relating to the Episcopal Fund, beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the subject committed to them. They are fully impressed with the necessity and the justice of making suitable provision for all the wants of their Diocesan; and although the income of the fund may at present be sufficient to meet his necessities, yet they are aware that the expenses of living may continue to increase as they have done for ten years past; and other contingencies in God's providence may occur: such as making provision for the support of a destitute widow and children of a Bishop, and for an assistant Bishop, in case the sppointment of one should become necessary.

They would therefore recommend that measures be taken to increase the capital of the Episcopal Fund.

The committee have examined the different modes which have been suggested of increasing that fund. The one of sending an agent into the different parishes to raise the capital at once they deem wholly inexpedient under the present embarrassed state of the pecuniary affairs of the country; nor do they think any more favorably of any of the other modes suggested, except the one of parochial collections as required by the 13th canon of the Diocese of New York; they would therefore respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

RESOLVED, That the Parochial contributious of this Diocese, made to the fund for the support of the Episcopate under the 13th Canon of the Diocese of New York, as now in force in this Diocese, be placed in the hands of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, to be managed by them, and be permitted to accumulate without diminution until the further order of the Convention.

JOHN McCARTY, Chairmen.

Rev. C. S. Hawks, from the Committee on the subject of a suitable plan for the foundation of new parishes, asked leave to be continued, to report to the next Convention; which leave was granted.

The report of the Committee on proposed alterations in the Constitution and Canons, was then taken up and read; when the Rev. Dr. Proal offered the following resolution, which, after debate, was adopted:—

Resolved, That this house concur with the Committee in the opinion, that Article VIII. of the Constitution, and Canon XVIII., are as much binding upon this Convention as any other Article of the Constitution and Canons received from the General Convention; and that in making the alterations of the Constitution and Canons, the Convention must be governed by the provisions of the same.

The Secretary then read a letter from W. W. Mumford, Esq., resigning his appointment as a Trustee of the Episcopal Fund.

Whereupon, on motion,

Resolved, That the resignation of Mr. Mumford be accepted.

The hour appointed for that purpose having arrived, the house proceeded to the election of a Standing Committee for the ensuing year, when the following gentlemen were elected, viz: Dr.'s Rudd, Hale and Shelton, and the Rev. Mr. Metcalf of the clergy; and Wm. C. Pierrepont, Thomas H. Hubbard, R. C. Nicholas, and Vincent Matthews, Esqr.'s, of the laity.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of Delegates to the General Convention, when the following gentlemen were elected, viz: Rev. Dr.'s Whitehouse, Proal and Shelton, and the Rev. Lucius Smith, of the clergy; and C. H. Carroll, Jonas Earll, Jr., Chester Griswold, and G. B. Webster, Esq'rs, of the laity.

On motion,

Resolved, That the election of Supplemental Delegates be deferred till the afternoon session.

Resolved, That the house proceed to the election of a Trustee of the Episcopal Fund, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of W. W. Mumford, Esq.

The Convention thereupon elected Tho's H. Rochester, Esq. such Trustee.

The hour for that purpose having arrived, the house took a recess until two o'clock.

### FRIDAY AFTERNOON, 2 O'CLOCK.

The Convention re-assembled, pursuant to the Rules of Order.

The house then proceeded to the election of Supplemental Delegates to the General Convention; when the following gentlemen were elected, viz: Rev. P. P. Irving, C. S. Hawks, J. V. Van Ingen, and James A. Bolles, of the clergy; and H. J. Redfield, W. S. De Zeng, J. E. Hinman, and Jesse Clark, Esq'rs, of the laity.

The Committee on that part of the Bishop's Address relating to Parsonages, made a report, which was approved, and the resolution adopted, as follows:—

The committee on that part of the Bishop's'Address relating to providing Parsonsges or Glebes, and the permanent support of the clergy, respectfully submit the following report:

The committee have had but a short time to deliberate, considering the importance of the subjects referred to them. They have examined that part of the Bishop's Address referred to them, and concur generally in the recommendations therein contained. They offer for the consideration of the Convention the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That it be recommended to the parishes in this Diocese to provide Parsonnges for the residence of their clergymen, with a few acres of land attached to each Parsonage in the country parishes.

The house resumed the consideration of the report of the Committee on alterations in the Constitution and Canons.

The first resolution submitted by the Committee, proposing amendments to Article I. of the Constitution, being under consideration, it was, on motion,

Resolved, That the same be amended by striking out the words "Wednesday next preceding the last Wednesday in the month of September," and insert in lieu thereof the words, "third Wednesday in August."

The said first resolution, as amended, was then adopted.

The second resolution being under consideration, it was resolved to strike out the words "and clergymen of this diocese who are disabled by age or infirmity from holding any parochial cure."

The resolution thus amended was then adopted.

The question being taken on the third and fourth resolutions submitted by the Committee, they were adopted as reported.

The Articles, as amended, were then soverally approved and proposed to the next Convention for adoption.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Constitution, with the amendments as approved printed in italics, be appended in full to the Journal of this Convention; and that the same be entitled:

The Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western New York.

[See Appendix No. II.]

On motion,

Resolved, That the amendments to the Canons be continued in the charge of the committee, and that they prepare a report upon the same, for the next Annual Convention; which report shall be printed with figures at the ends of the lines, and distributed by them at least two months prior to the meeting of the next Annual Convention.

Resolved, That another lay member be added to the committee on the Constitution and Canons.

The Chair appointed Gen. Joseph G. Swift.

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to prepare for and furnish to the next Convention, sheets of paper with printed headings, containing the titles of the various offices to be filled by ballot, to be used as ballots by the members of the Convention.

On motion, Resolved to take a recess until 7 o'clock.

FRIDAY EVENING, 7 o'clock.

The Convention re-assembled. The Bishop took the Chair.

The Committee on Sunday School Depositories presented the following Report, which was approved and the resolution adopted:

The committee appointed to consider and report on the subject of a Diocesan Sunday School Depository, beg leave to report as follows:

That under the present circumstances of the Diocese, they deem it inexpedient to attempt the formation of depositories for the sale of books and tracts upon the credit and responsibility of the Convention, and respectfully offer the following resolution for the adoption of the Convention:

Resolved, That the Clergymen of our Church residing in Utica, Geneva, Rochester, Batavia, and Buffale, be requested to use their influence to engage some bookseller in each of the towns of their respective residences to keep for sale the books published by the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, and such other books and tracts of a sound religious character as may be suitable for our Sunday School and Parish Libraries; and that the persons so engaged be recommended to the patronage of the churches in this Diocese.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The Standing Committee on the Diocesan Fund, to when the report of the Treasurer had been referred, reported that no action was neccessary on the same by this house.

On motion of the Rev. J. McCarty,

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to confer with the committee of "the Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of the Central part of the State of New York," on the subject of forming a diocesan society.

The Chair appointed Rev. Messrs. S. G. Appleton, Walton, and

Mr. Jonas Earll, jr.

On motion of Dr. Whitehouse,

Resolved, That the reading of the Parochial Reports be dispensed with, and that they be appended to the Journal.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Proal,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the congregations of St. Luke's and Grace churches in the city of Rochester, for the hospitality so generously extended to its members during the present session; and that the Rectors of said churches be requested to give publicity to this resolution in such way as they may deem expedient.

On motion,

Resolved, That 2,000 copies of the Journal be printed and distributed in the usual manner under the direction of the Secretary.

On motion,

Resolved, That the clergy of this diocese having cures within the same, who have not complied with the Canon on the Diocesan Fund\*, be requested to make a collection in their respective parishes on or before the 1st Sunday in November next, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Convention, and transmit the same to Wm. S. Philpot, Esq., Treasurer.

<sup>\*</sup>CANON XIV.—SECT. 1.—Whereas it is indispensable to provide a fund for defraying the necessary expenses of the Convention, and particularly the expenses of those of the Clergy who may have to travel from a distance to the Convention; it is bereby required of every congregation in this diocese, to pay to the Treasurer of the Convention, on or before the day of its annual meeting, a contribution of not less than one and a half per cent. on the amount of the salary of its clergyman. Which fund shall from time to time be appropriated in part by a committee of the Convention to the purposes above mentioned.

SECT. 2.—And whereas by Canon LIV. of the General Convention of 1832 it is made the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, at each meeting of the General Convention, seventy-five cents for each clergyman within the diocese, for the purpose of defraying the contingent expenses of the said Convention; therefore it shall be the duty of the Committee appointed to appropriate the monies paid in to the Diocesan Fund, to retain annually out of such monies twenty-five cents for each clergyman in this diocesa. The monies thus arising shall be kept by the Treasurer of the Convention, to be by him paid over to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies at each meeting of the General Convention.

On motion of Henry E. Rochester,

Resolved, That the Secretary be empowered, in the name of the Convention, to procure the report of the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate in this diocese, not handed in at this Convention as required by the Canons, and cause the same to be printed in the Journal.\*

On motion of the Rev. W. Van Zandt,

Resolved, That the propriety of admitting candidates for Holy Orders as delegates to the Convention of this diocese, be referred to the Committee on Canons, to report at the next Annual Convention.

On motion,

Resolved, That the blank form for Parochial Reports, with the Circular directed to accompany the same, be appended to the Journal of this Convention.

The minutes of the day were then read and approved, and the House having, on motion, resolved to adjourn after the usual religious exercises, the Convention united in singing the last four verses of the 99th Psalm, and in appropriate prayers from the Liturgy by the Bishop; and having received his blessing, adjourned size dis.

Signed by order of the Convention.

WILLIAM HEATHCOTH DE LANCEY, D. D.,
Bishop of the Diocese of Western New York, and
President of the Convention.

[Attest.]
PIERRE ALEXIS PROAL, D. D., Secretary.

### REPORT:

The Trustees of the Episcopate Fund of the Diocese of Western! New York, report: On the 6th of December last the Trustees received of the Treasurer of the Trustees of the Episcopate Fund of the Diocese of New York, the sum of thirty-five thousend dollars, which had been appropriated by the Convention of the Diocese of New York to the support of the Episcopate in the new diocese. This amount was immediately deposited with the New York Life Insurance and Trust Company at an interest of 5 per cent., until a permanent investment could be made. On the 14th of January last the Trusteds invested thirty thousand dollars of this principal in a bond and mortgage of William H. Townsend, Isaac Townsend, and Robert C. Towns. end, for that amount, given to the Trustees of the New York Society Library on the 13th February, 1836, for the payment of \$39,000, with interest on the same at the rate of seven per centum per annum, and to be paid half yearly. The mortgage is upon a lot end store No. 33 in Namea street in the city of New York. The property is to be kept insured for \$10,000. This investment was made upon the advice of some of the best judges in the city of New York, who considered it the most desirable security that could be obtained, on account of the high rate of interest, its being pay-

<sup>\*</sup> Nork.—The Secretary having furnished the Committee with a copy of the above resolution, obtained from them the following

able semi-annually, and the principal being secured by the responsibility of one of the first houses in the city, and by the mortgage of a property worth much more than the amount, exclusive of buildings.

On the 11th of February last an opportunity presented of investing \$6000 in a bond and murtgage of the Albany Female Academy, given for that amount, the consideration for the purchase of the lot on which the elegant academy building in North Pearl street in the city of Albany is erected. These securities are also at 7 per cent. interest, which by a stipulation with the Trustees is payable semi-annually, on the 2d of March, and the 2d of September in each year. The portion of the principal of the Episcopal Fund remaining in the hands of the Trustees was however only \$5,000. But as interest was to be received from the several sources hereinafter mentioned, which would not be applicable to the payment of the Bishop's income (as that did not commence until after the first of May,) the Trustees concluded to purchase the bond and mortgage of the Albany Female Academy, by giving the personal obligation of one of them for the difference between the amount in their hands and the face of the securities, and rely upon the items of interest before mentioned, for the means of payment. It was accordingly assigned to them on the 11th of February last at its value on the 2d of March to which date the calculations and papers refer. There had accrued interest on the deposite with the Life Insurance and Trust Company to the amount of \$202 43. The holder of the bond and mortgage of the Albany Academy allowed the Trustees interest on the above sum of \$5,202 43 from the 11th of February, when it was paid to the 2d of March, amounting to \$17.96. To make up the sum of \$6,000, one of the Trustees gave his individual obligation for \$779 61 dated the 2d of March, payable on demand with interest. On the 1st of May last the Trustees received from the Treasurer of the Episcopate fund of the Diocese of New York the sum of \$166 21, which was allowed by the Trustees of that fund as interest that had accrued on that portion of the \$35,000, which had drawn interest while in their hands after the 1st of November and up to the 6th of December, when it was paid over. The Trustees also received on the let day of May last, from Wm. H. Townsend & Brothers, interest on their bond from the 14th of January to the 1st of May, amounting to \$624 17. These sums enabled the Trustees to pay the individual obligation before mentioned for \$779 61, and the interest which had accrued thereon, amounting to \$6.76. By this operation the Trustees had a principal invested of \$36,000, and had on hand \$4 01.

The Special Convention held in May last, directed the Trustees to pay five hundred dollars to Bishop De-Lancey, to defray the expenses of his removal. That sum was accordingly paid to him in September last, and the same amount was received from Wm. H. Townsend & Brothers, as part of the principal of their debt. An account current exhibiting these items is appended to this report.

It may be proper to remark, that the Trustees preferred making the investments in New York and Albany for various reasons. They were thus enabled to avoid giving any preference among the applications for loans that might be made by the friends of the Church within the diocess. The investments being so few, they were relieved from the risk and trouble of collecting interest on smaller sums in the hands of many persons. There would be more promptness in the payment of interest by city debters than can be ordinarily expected from country securities; and city funds are always more valuable than those in the interior, and can be drawn for without loss or hazard.

The following is the present condition of the investments of the principal of the Episcopate fund of this diocese:

A bond and mortgage of Wm. H. Townsend & Brothers, bearing interest at 7 per cent. from 1st May, 1839, payable 1st of November and 1st of May each year, by which is secured the principal,

**\$29,500 00** 

A bond and mortgage of the Albany Female Academy, bearing interest at 7 per cent from 2d March, 1839, payable 2d September and 2d March in each year, for

6,000 00

**\$**35,500 00

Yielding an income of \$2,485 annually.

Two months interest on \$6,000, the amount of the bond of the Albany Female Academy, from 2d March to 1st May, 1839, amounting to \$70, cannot under the existing resolutions of the Convention be paid to the Bishop, as his income commences on the 1st of May. It must therefore be considered for the present as principal.

All which is respectfully submitted,

John C. Spencer, A. B. Johnson, G. V. Sacket, W. W. Mumford, H. J. Redfield,

Making a total of

Trustess.

October 12, 1839.

The Episcopate Fund of the Diocese of Western New York in Account with the Trustees thereof.

DR.	1839	.—Jan. 14.	To purchase of bond and mortgage of Towns-		
	. #	•	end & Brothers, bearing interest at 7 per cent	<b>\$30,000</b>	00
	Œ		To purchase of bond and mortgage of Albany Female Academy, interest at 7 per cent., Balance in the hands of the Trustees,	6,000 4	<b>00</b> 01
	1000			\$36,004	01
•	1833	.—Sept. 9.	Paid Bishop De Lancey part of the above principal, pursuant to resolution of Convention,	500	00
			Total principal,	\$36,504	01
ÇR.	1836.	Dec. 6.	Received from Trustees of Episcopate Fund of New York.	\$35,000	00
	1839.	Feb. 11.	Received of New York Life Insurance and Trust	•	
	<b>96</b>	March 2.	Company, interest, Received for interest on \$5,202 43, from 11th Feb. to this date, Deduct interest on note for \$779 61, for two months. 6 76	202	43
	44	Wan 1		11	20
		May 1.	Received of Trustees of Episcopate Fund of New York, for interest,	166	21
			Received of Townsend & Brothers, interest on their bond to this date,	624	17
	•		Desire Land Manager 1 A. Desire	<b>\$36,004</b>	01
	1839.	<b>Sept. 27.</b>	Received of Townsend & Brothers, on account of the principal of their bond,	500	00
	·	•	. •	\$36,504	01

### APPENDIX.

No. I.

### PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Trinity Church, Seneca Falls, Seneca county; the Rev. CHARLES G. ACLY, Rector.

The present incumbent entered upon the duties of this parish on the 1st June last;

since which time the pulpit has been regularly supplied.

He has the satisfaction of reporting very favorably concerning the future prespects of the Church in this place. There has been a manifest enlargement in the size of the congregation, and an increased interest taken in sustaining our solemn services in their integrity. By a late resolution of the Vestry, the missionary stipend which was appropriated to this station and Montexuma, was relinquished; we are now thrown upon our own energies, which we doubt not are equal to our necessities.

Since my connexion with the parish, the sunday school has been reorganized, and is now as prosperous as could be anticipated. There are connected with it an efficient superintendent, a librarian, and thirteen faithful teachers. The average attendants

ance of scholars is forty.

**(\*)** 

A Bible class has been commenced under encouraging circumstances; and it is hoped will be a successful agent in familiarizing the minds of the young with the sacred word.

Baptisms (adults 6, infants 2) 8; Confirmations 11; communicants about 30; Families 40; Marriages 2; Funerals 3.

Contributions for various purposes, \$20.

Christ Church, Binghamton, Broome county; the Rev. Edward Andrews, Rector.

This parish is on the whole flourishing:—Communicants 60; Baptisms 3; Sunday School Scholars 55; Teachers 7; Burials 2; Marriages 4.

Canonical Collections:—		•		900 4			
Missionary and Education	Societ	у.	•	•	•	<b>\$</b> 6	00
Diocesan Fund,	•	-	•	•	•	4	50
Episcopal Fund,	•	•	•	. •	•		50
<b>-</b>						<b>\$14</b>	00
Collection on Thanksgiving on the 4th of Junetion of 9 individuals	ng-day	for the	DOGE		•	10	00
on the 4th of Ju	aly, for	Africa	n Co	lonizati	on.	30	
			for s	me. \$3	Deach.	270	
Collection for Sunday Sch	100l Lil	brary,		•	•	20	
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The parish has also appropriated considerable sums for other local objects. The five hundred dollar debt is still unpaid. So far as I am informed every thing is quiet and harmonious.

St. James' Church, Batavia, Geneses county; the Rev. James A. Bolles, Rector.

Communicants (added 30, removed 11) 92; Baptisms (adults 8, infants 14) 23; Confirmed 25; Marriages 11; Funerals 12.

Contributed for benevolent purposes out of the parish, \$232 95.

This church has never been in a more prosperous condition than it is at present. We cannot supply the applications which are constantly made for seats, notwithstanding when our new church edifice was erected it was supposed by many to be too large. The Sunday School is under the immediate superintendence of the Rector, who has a meeting of the teachers every Thursday evening, and on the afternoon of the first Sunday in every month the children are instructed by him in the Catechism.

During the season of Lent the church is open for divine service every Wednesday

and Friday, and a course of lectures delivered.

The Rector, since his residence in Batavia, has been in the habit of officiating in the neighboring towns, viz: Bethany, Alexander, Pine Hill, Richville, Darien and Ellicott's Mills; and in the two places last named he gave a third service on Sunday evening for several months. Scarcely a week passes without a request from some of these towns for his services. Communicants of our church reside in all of them, and could an active missionary for Genesee county be appointed, no doubt his support could be raised by the circulation of a general subscription throughout the county, and flourishing congregations might soon be formed.

- St. James' Church, Hammondsport, and St. Thomas' Church, Bath, Steuben county; the Rev. WILLIAM W. BOSTWICK, Rector.
- St. Thomas' Church, Bath.—Baptisms, children 2; Communicants (removed 2, added 2,) total 47; Marriages 3; Burials 2; Sunday School Scholars 30.
- St. James' Church, Hammondsport. Baptisms (adults 3, children 1) 4; Communicants (removed 2, died 1, added 2) 28; Burials 3; Marriages 5; Sunday School, 25 Scholars.

Beptisms in adjoining towns (adults 1, children 26) 27; Marriages 1.

Collections: St Thomas	ue' (	Church—		-			
· Diocesan Fund,		•	-	•		•	<b>9</b> 6 00
Missionary,	• .		•	•	•	•	3 20
					-		9 20
St. James' Church-			1	•			
Diocesan Fund,		•	-	•	•	•	10 00
Missionary,	•	•	•	•	•	•	5 86
•			•				<b>\$15 86</b>

St. Paul's Church, Oxford, Chenango county; the Rev. Leverett Bush, D. D., Rector.

Communicants 74 (4 added); Baptisms 5 (adults 4); Marriages 2; Funerals 6; Sunday Scholars 50.

Collections:

Missionary Association, - - - \$15 00
Sunday School Union - - - 3 25

Zion Church, Palmyra, Wayne county; the Rev. CLEMENT M. BUTLER, Rector.

I entered upon the charge of this parish Sept. 21, 1838. Since that period there have been Baptisms (2 infants and 1 adult) 3; Marriages 6; Funerals 5.

The present number of Communicants is 38: Added 9; Removed during the year 4; Died 1.

Christ Church, Lockport, Niagara county; the Rev. E. H. CRES-SEY, Rector.

Number Families about 50; Baptisms (adult 1, infants 4) 5; Marriages 3; Burials 10; Communicants (added 23, died 1, removed 4,) 45; Sunday School Teachers 8, Scholars 60, Library vols. 163; Parish Library, vols. 59. The Parish Library was commenced at Easter of the present year.

Collections;—
Diocesan Fund, - - - - \$5 00
Education and Missionary, - - - 1 00
Parish and Sunday School Libraries, - - 55 25

The Rector has, in addition to his regular Sunday services, preached a third-service once in two weeks through the summer at Royalton Centre, eight miles distant. Lectures on the Liturgy were delivered weekly during Lent. The prospects of the parish are encouraging.

St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge, Chenango county; the Rev. WILLIAM E. EIGENBRODT, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 5, infants 14) total 19; Confirmed 12; Funerals 7; Marriage 1; Communicants (added 15, died 2) total 55.

Contributions:

General Theological S		. 10	_	_	_	<b>\$</b> 5 00
Cattaint I nacionical en	a mineri	J <b>y</b> 1		_ •.	•	
New York Bible and C	ommo	n Praye	r Book	Society	<b>'</b>	5 00
New York Protestant I	Episco	pal Trac	et Bocie	ty,	•	19 00
Education and Missions Education \$3, Miss	ary So cionary	ciety of	the dio	cese, }	•	10 00
Primary Convention,	• •	•	•		•	6 00
Special Convention at .	Aubur	n,	• •	•	•	3 00
Diocesan Fund,	•	•	•	•	-	3 00
Episcopal Fund,	• '	•	•	•	-	2 00

The children of the congregation are weekly Catechised by the Rector. During the last six months, after the performance of the other regular Sunday services, he has also preached to a small but attentive congregation at South Baimbridge, six miles distant. A Bible class has also been conducted.

Within the last year this congregation has, with most commendable zeal, purchased a new organ, and by the construction of a very appropriate chancel and other extensive alterations in the interior of their church, rendered it most commodious, beautiful and delightful to the reverent worshipper.

Calvary Church, Homer, Cortland county; the Rev. HENRY GREGORY, Rector.

The Rector has been absent for about a year past on a mission to the far West, as it well knewn to the Church at large. For about ten months of that period the Rev. George Ogle, Deason, has officiated as assistant minister; but he having left, the report is presented by the Senior Warden.

Baptisms (adult 1, infants 3) 4; Marriage 1; Burials 3; Communicants (added 1, died 1, removed 1,) 3; present number 40. With these exceptions the number is the same as at the last annual report; but not having seen the Journal of the last Annual Convention of the Diocese of New York, in which said report is contained, the Warden is unable to state the precise number, and requests the Bishop to supply the deficiency by stating the aggregate from said Journal of 1838, and the above data.

Number of Families 23; Sunday School and Parish Libraries.

Contributions to the Institutions of the Church, viz:—
To the Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Central
New York,
Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society,

5 00

88 00

Trinity Church, Buffalo; the Rev. C. S. HAWKS, Rector.

Baptisms during the past year 9; Marriagee 5; Communicants (added 15, removed 6,) whole number 59; Burials 10.

The Rector has reason to thank God that his parish is still in a fleusishing condition. The church edifice mentioned in the last report is still in the process of erection, and it is hoped will be ready for consecration some time during the coming year

The great difficulty in this Parish has been the impossibility of furnishing applicants with sittings. The congregation has ever since its existence worshipped in a room capable of containing only about 400 people; but within the last week the Wardens and Vestrymen of the parish have succeeded in renting a house of worship owned by a congregation of Universalists in this city. This building will furnish near 800 sattings—most of them are already taken.

Trinity Church, Geneva, Ontario county; the Rev. PIERRE P. INVING, Rector.

The Rector has the satisfaction of continuing a favorable report of the state of this parish; and presents the following abcount of it during the past conventional year.

Baptisms 15, of whom 3 were adults, and 12 infants; Marriages 6; Funerals 11; Confirmations 31; Communicants (added 32, lost by removal 8, and by death 2) pre-

eent number 154.

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Sunday School, average attendance of scholars 80; teachers 90; Library 400 tole; Parish Library, 300 vole; Bible class meets once a week during eight months in the year. Services, with a sermon, other than those of Sunday, on every Wednesday evening from October until Easter; on every Wednesday and Friday morning during Lent, and on every day of Passion-Week. Catechising.—The children of the congregation are examined in the Catechism, at the chancel, every Sunday afternoon, after service.

Domestic Missions,		•	•	•	•	<b>\$170 0</b>
Diocesan "	•	•	•	•	•	100 0
Parish purposes,	•	•	•	•	•	172 5
Offerings at the Comm	ranio	D.	•	•	•	102 2
Offering for charitable			•	•	•	19-5
Sunday School of the	peris	h.	•	•	•	40 8
Church at Medina, N.	Y.,	•	•	•	•	<b>35</b> 0
Conventions and Dioc		Fand,	•	•	•	30 0
Episcopal Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	10 0
Bible and Prayer Bool	k Soc	ioty.	•	•	•	10 0
General Theological S	lemin	ary.	•	•	•	10 0
Janppropriated,	•	•	•	•	•	37 5
Education Society,	•	•	•	•	•	10 0
						<b>2747</b> 5

Christ Church, Oswego, Oswego county; the Rev. John McCarty, Rector.

Beptiess (adult 1, infants 17) 18; Marriages 9; Funerals 11; Communicarits (added 9, removed 5, died 2,) present number about 100; Confirmed 16; Sunday School Taschers 12, Scholars 60.

The parish is in possession both of a Parish and Sunday School Library. The church has been opened on the principal Fasts and Festivals, and for a Wednesday evening lecture during the season of Lent.

There has been collected by the monthly offerings of the church, for religious purposes during the past year,

To which the Ladies' Sewing Society have added

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St. Mark's Church, Le Roy, Geneses county; the Rev. KENDRICK METCALF, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 7, adult 1) 8; Confirmed 19; Communicants (added 8, removed 2,) present number 79; Marriages 6; Burials 5; Sunday School Scholors 60, Teachers 11.

Our plan of systematic charity has been sustained "according as God has prospered us." The disbursements of the "offerings of the church" since the last annual report have been as follows:

For Diocesan purposes :							
Missionary Fund.	•	•	•	•	•	<b>\$</b> 50	00
Education for the Minis	try,	•		•	•	25	00
Convention Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	10	00
General purposes:—			•				
Domestic Missions,	•	•	•	•	•	40	
	•	•	•	•	•	20	00
Parish purposes:—					_	_	
Collections for the Offer	rory	, chiefly	expen	ded for	the bene		_
of poor Sunday Scho	lare,		•		•	28	68
Missionary offerings of	the	Sunday	<b>School</b>	ol, a mo	hthly c		
lection, -	•	•	•	•	•	10	03
						183	68

A Bible Class is taught by the Rector, who also takes personal supervision of the Sunday School, and monthly meetings of Teachers.

The principal Fasts and Festivals are celebrated in the prescribed services of the

Church.

Grace Church, Utica, Oneida county; the Rev. Albert C. Patterson, Rector.

At the first celebration of the Holy Communion for this congregation, after its organization in May, 1838,—being Whitsunday of that year, 26 persons received that ordinance.

The Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D., having had the charge of the congregation for a chief portion of the time to the settlement of the present incumbent, in June last, presents the following statement:

Families constituting the parish under its first organization 17; Communicants 26; Baptisms, infants 4; Funerals 4.

The present Rector took charge of this parish on the 5th of June last; since which time there have been, Baptisms (infant 1, adults 2) 3; Confirmations 9; Funerals of persons of the congregation 1, of others 3; Communicants (added 20, removed 1) present number 47.

The services have been held in the new church, recently erected by the parish, since its consecration on the 24th of August last, and the church has been well filled. All days for which a Collect, Epistle and Gospel have been appointed by the Church, are observed. The present number of families in the parish is 44.

The juvenile members of the congregation have contributed \$15 for the purchase of books for the Sunday School, which now numbers 13 teachers and 50 scholars, and have presented to the church an elegant set of books for the desk and altar.

Owing to the recent complete organization of the parish, it has been impossible to make the collections required by the Canon severally; they have therefore been made jointly, and are as follows:—

	Diocesan Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	<b>18</b>	
••	Episcopal Fund,			•	•	•	10	00
4.6	Theological Educa	tion a	ed Mis	sionary	Society	7,	11	<b>97</b>
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							299	77

St. Paul's Church, Paris Hill, Oneida county; the Rev. HENRY PECE, Rector.

Since the last report my time has been principally devoted to this congregation. During the conventional year I have performed the regular services in this parish every Sunday throughout the year, with the exception of three; on one of which I was absent at the Primary Convention; another was devoted for the benefit of the vacant station at Constantia; and the third was improved at New Hartford in exchange with the Rev. Mr. Storrs. In addition to which were performed the appointed services for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Good Friday; which includes the amount of services rendered, except on funeral occasions.

Baptisms (infants) 3; Marriages 3; Burials 2; present number of Communicants 35; Sunday Scholars 32; Teachers 6.

Collections:—						
For Foreign Missions,	•	•	•	•	84	00
For Domestic Musions,	•	•	•	•	8	00
For defraying the expenses of	f the P	rimery .	and Sp	ecial		
Conventions, -	•	•	•	•	8	70 67
For the Bible and Prayer Bec	k Societ	y of Ce	entral N	l. Y.,	3	67
For the Journal of Religious Education,						
	Pa	id over			<b>832</b>	37 .
Forwarded herewith, and to be ap	plied as	follows	<b>!</b>		_	
For Diocesan Missions, -	•	•	•	•	_	00
For the Education Society,	•	•	•	•		00
For the Diocesan Fund, -	•	•	•	•	2	00
For the Episcopal Fund,	4	ď	est.	•		83
					<b>8</b> 6	83

Trinity Church, Utica, the Rev. PIERRE ALEXIS PROAL, D. D., Rector.

The number of families belonging to this congregation is about 150; Baptisms, (adults 4, infants 36) total 40; Confirmed 15; Communicants (received 6, admitted 21) total added 27; Died 6, Removed 30, present number 151; Marriages 8, Burisla 26.

Public Services on Sundays 110; on other days 43; total 153. The children are extechised every Sunday afternoon during one half the year. Sunday Schools; male teachers 8, pupils 25; female teachers 10, pupils 37. Infant School; 2 teachers, 25 scholars. Total: schools 2; teachers 18; pupils 87.

There is a Sunday School Library, and a Parish Library, containing in both between 400 and 500 volumes.

Collections have been made	e for the	follo	wing obj	ects:			
Infant School,	•	•	•	•	4	<b>\$</b> 73	21
Diocesan Fund,	•	-	•	•	•	37	47
Diocesan Missions,	-	-	•	•	•	94	67
General Theological	Seminary	<b>.</b>		•	•	41	56
General Indulgical	Gettimen )	7 1	•		•		12
Demestic Missions,	-	-	_	•	•		62
Episcopal Fund,	•	•	•	-	•		<b>γ-</b>
		•				9984	65

During the season of Lent there are three services on Sunday; and on the Wednesdays and Fridays two services on each day—in the morning a lecture is read on a portion of the Liturgy, and in the evening a discourse preached on the historical facts of the Bible. During the greater part of the year, the festivals and fasts of the church were observed by the regular service in the chapel. The Rector attends regularly on Sundays to a general exercise in the Sunday school, which consists of a short lecture on Bible History, in which the pupils are examined by questions and answers, and in which they seem much interested.

# St. John's Church, Canandaigua, Ontario county; the Rev. A. P. PREVOST, Rector.

It is with devout thankfulness to Almighty God, that the Rector of this Parish reports its increased and increasing prosperity. Its prospects, both externally and spiritually, are brighter, more animating and encouraging than at any previous period of its history. The stated attendance at the sanctuary is more regular and numerous, frequent demands are made for pews, and the difficulty of accommodating those who desire to join our congregation is beginning to be felt.

The number of Baptisms during the year, is (adults 9, infants 12,) total 21; Confirmed 11; (sixteen, however, were prepared, but one died, and the others removed before the Bishop's visitation;) Marriages 14; Burials 3; Number of communicants in October, 1838, 63; Added by removal from other Parishes, 3; New Communicants 20; Total 86; Loss:—(died 1, removed 20,) total 21; present number 65.

The amount contributed by the congregation to defray the incidental and contingent expenses of the parish is about two hundred dollars; for benevolent purposes and the different charitable institutions of the Protestant Episcopal Church, one hundred and

eighty-one dollars. Total, three hundred eighty-one dollars.

### St. Paul's Church, Brownville, Jefferson county; the Rev. FEEDI-NAND ROGERS, Rector.

### Baptisme, all infants, 11; Marriages 6; Funerals 3; Communicants 25.

Since his last report the Rector has discontinued his school, in place of which he hears a small class mostly engaged in classical studies. By this arrangement he is enabled to devote more time to the interests of his parish than before. The prospects of the Church in this place continue very favorable. The Rector's support is derived from a very few devoted friends of the Church. The Sunday School is under the charge of the Rector, and is in a highly promising condition. The teachers are mostly female members of the parish. In connection with his services in this place, the Rector has officiated at the village of Dexter, about three miles distant. This is a new but promising place, and presents a fine opening for the establishment of our services. There is no house of worship in the place. A congregation has however been formed, and measures are in a course of operation for the erection of an Epispopal church.

The regular canonical collections have not been, but will soon be made.

## St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, Oneida county; the Rev. HENRY L. STORRS, Rector.

Baptisms, (infants) 19; Marriages 5; Burials 7; Confirmed 6; Communicants, (removed 5, died 1, added 6,) present number, 43. Sunday School:—Teachers 10; Scholars about 50.

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Contributions:—		•		
Diocesan Fund,	• •	•	•	<b>87</b> 50
Education and Missionary Societ	<b>v.</b> -	•	•	5 77
Tract Society, -		•	•	1 37
Bible and Prayer Book Society of	Central	New Yo	rk.	2 00
Episcopal Fund, -			/• <del></del> }	2 00
Estacopar Fano,	•	•	•	
Monthly Offerings,	•	•	•	44 00
Parish Library,	•	•	•	2 00
Expenses of Primary Convention		•	•	1 77
Missions, Foreign and Domestic,		•	•	13 00
Various purposes,		•	•	191 56
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				\$270 97

There has been a lecture on the Wednesday evening of every week during the summer months; prayers and a lecture every Wednesday during Lent, and on other principal holy days set apart by the Church.

Zion Church, Greene, Chenango county; the Rev. John V. Van INGEN, Rector.

Baptisms, (adults 4; infants 6,) 10; Confirmed 14; Communicants, (added 19, removed 3, died 2,) 62; Marriages 1; Burials 8; Sunday Scholars 100, (in two schools;) Teachers 16.

A Bible Class has been taught weekly by the Rector, who has held services thirty times within the year at places without the village.

At Coventry, in the bounds of his paruchial cute, it is proposed to build a church in the coming year, and one individual, a farmer, has offered \$100 toward the object, with the pledge of \$25 annually for the support of ministrations,—a sum probably equal to one sixth of his annual surplus income.

Collections and Contributions -

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Primary Convention,	•	•	•	•	•	<b>3</b> 6	00
Diocesan Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	4	50
Episcopal Fund, •	•	•	•	•	•	2	00
Education and Mission	ary,	•	•	•	•	8	00
New York Bible and P	rayer	Book Se	ciety,	•	•	2	00
New York Protestant B				ty.	•	2	00
General Theological Se	minar	у, -	•	•	•	8	00
Sunday Schools, Gen. l	Missio:	ns, vario	us Paro	chial of	jects,	100	00
Balance of debt (exting			•	•	•	600	00
						8907	50

Grace Church, Rochester, Monroe county; the Rev. WASHINGTON Van Zandt, Rector.

The present Rector by a unanimous vote of the vestry took official charge of this parish on the 1st of April last. Since that time he has been actively engaged in the discharge of his sacred duties. He desires to be truly grateful to God for the many blessings which have accompanied his labors. But however much he may thank God and take courage, yet circumstances have combined and are still combining to make the Rector's place no sinecure; these arise from sources and operations beyond his power, and controllable only by Him who holds all things in the hollow of his hand. May he in mercy make them work together for good. Humanly speaking, the present prospects of this church are encouraging—a brighter day has, we trust, dawned—its financial concerns are getting into better shape; while its spiritual matters are rising by the influence of the good spirit, to a proper and wholesome standard.

The interior walls of the church edifice have been thoroughly whitened. The organ is completed by the addition of two stops. There are 112 pews, all of which are either sold or rented, except 25, which are generally occupied. On the lat of April were found in connexion with the communion only 70 persons, although the record exhibited the names of 140 individuals. This list had been continued since the organiration of the church, consequently many errors crept in. These have been corrected and the present catalogue shows only those who are actually in communion, with two

or three exceptions, where persons are absent from necessity.

The Rector is most happy in being able to say in truth as in gratitude, that the course of this parish is onward and upward. Since the commencement of his official year there have been added to the communion 53; 8 of whom are Sunday school scholars. God has been most merciful in removing only two adults from our number.

In connexion with the church and under the guidance of the Rector, is a "ladies' society," who, with a most praise worthy seal and patience, devote one afternoon in each week to sewing. Their present purpose is to procure a communion service for the altar. The Rector hopes much good may result to the education and missionary society of our diocese from their patient and persevering industry.

The regular services of the week are two on Sunday, a lecture on Wednesday evening. Two Bible classes on Thursday afternoon and evening, besides reading a

lecture to the ladies' society on Friday afternoon.

The Sunday school is increasing, and is now in quite a flourishing condition.

The regular collections have not as yet been made, but will be so soon as the parish can be organized into a society for monthly offerings.

The records show the following statistics:—Families belonging to Grace Church 87: Communicants 1st of April 70; Added since 53; died and removed 2; present number

118; Baptisms (adults 10, infants 14,) \$4; Marriages 4; Deaths (four of which were out of the parish) 10; Sunday school teachers, male and female, 11; superintendent 1; librarian 1; scholars 75; volumes in the library 200; pastoral visitations 379.

Money collected for charitable purposes, - - \$169 73-

St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, Onondaga county; the Rev. J. B. Gallagher, Minister. (Reported by the Rev. William Walton, temporary assistant.)

Baptisms, (infants 22, adults 5,) 27; Confirmed 15; Marriages 8; Burials 11; (one of these at Geddes;) Communicants 43; added 10; (two of these by removal.) This list is believed to be correct, but the absence of the minister precludes any more definite information. Sunday School:—Teachers, male 4, female 5, total 9; scholars about 40. During the winter and spring the numbers were much larger; it is hoped that ere long they will be raised to their former standard.

Collections for the Diocesan Fund, expenses of Special Convention, \$9. It is believed that collections for church objects were made during the winter, but what they

were I possess no means of ascertaining.

The parish has sustained a severe loss in the illness of the Rev. Mr. Gallagher. He is at present absent in Europe for his health, but his return is anxiously looked for in a few weeks; and recent accounts enable his friends to hope sufficiently restored to resume his duties. During the month of May his place was supplied by the Rev. Mr. Halsey, whose kindness and friendship are warmly appreciated by the congregation. Since the month of June I have had charge of the parish. The communion has been administered three times by some one of the neighboring clergy, exchanges having been effected for that purpose.

Of the baptisms, marriages, and burials above mentioned, 5 infant baptisms and 3

adults, 2 marriages and 6 burials have been performed by me.

St. Luke's Church, Rochester, Monroe county; the Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms, (adults 4, infants 61,) 65; Confirmed 45; Communicants, (deceased 5, added 54,) total 400; Families 169; Marriages 14; Funerals 26; Sunday Schools 2; Teachers 43, Scholars 325; Catechumens 40.

Collections:—

Foreign Misselons, - - - \$200 00

Domestic Missions, - - - 200 00

Diocesan Fund, - - - 100 00

Education, - - - 45 00

Spirit of Missions, - - - - 57 60

Diocesan Expenses, - - - 35 00

Other Church objects, about - - 300 00

The condition of this congregation, temporal and spiritual, continues vigorous and happy. The services of the past year have been as before reported, with the exception of the systematic parochial visiting, which, circumstances beyond the Rector's control, have obliged him to suspend, with the expectation however of an early resumption of the plan. The Lent lectures (being the eighth course,) were delivered on Wedneeday and Friday morning of that season, and embraced under the title of "The Pilgrun' in sixteen lectures, the principal conditions of the Christian from his original state to the consummation in glery. The weekly lecture on Wednesday has been obred as before. The Rector adverts to this with interest, as he has just completed the historie scriptures of the Old and New Testament; having delivered the three hundredth discourse last week. It has occupied a space of more than seven years, and been divided as follows: The Gospels in Harmony, 85 lectures; Acts 37; Pentateuch 68; Joshua 6; Judges 8; Ruth 2; 1 and 2 Samuel 21; Kings and Chronicles 48; Daniel 9; Ezra 5; Esther 4; and Nehemiah 9. Questions have been proposed in writing every week in advance on the portion assigned for the discourse, and been answered also in writing by a portion of the congregation. During the same space of time a portion of the Lord's day has been given to sermons in course on some of the Epistolary writings; and on these occasions, the Epistle to the Ephesians has been treated in 54 sermons; that of the Philipians in 35; and that to the Hebrews in 30. The good effects of this systematic examination of the word of God have been sufficiently marked to warrant the Rector in the liberty of commending the plan to his brethren.

The Sunday School is under able and efficient administration, and comprehends in addition to the ordinary course of instruction, an infant department, and a Bible class for more advanced scholars.

The church edifice during the past year has been improved in the interior by the erection of a rich Gothic screen behind the pulpit, the enlargement of the music gallery, and the addition of several pews. About eight hundred dollars have been thus expended.

On the 17th Sunday after Trinlty, the rite of confirmation was administered by the Bishop of the diocese to forty-five persons, all of whom are communicants, or will be-

come so at an early period.

The Rector records his acknowledgment of the divine grace and blessing in all.

St. Paul's Church, Waterloo, Seneca county; the Rev. E. Wheelzr, Rector.

My services commenced in this parish on the 4th Sunday after Easter, 29th April last, since which time there have been, Baptisms 1 child; Funerals 1; Communicants (added 5, died 1,) present number 44. Number of families, owing to the imperfect state of the parish records, not yet ascertained. Sunday School: teachers, male 4; female 10; number of scholars 88; average attendance 50.

I should do great injustice to my own feelings, and I believe to the feelings of the parish generally, were I in this report to withhold the fact that, under God, the present prosperous condition of the Sunday school is principally owing to the perseverence of our able and indefatigable superintendent, P. T. Mumford. Much praise is also due to the teachers, not only for their attention to their duties while in the school, but also for their attendance on the weekly teachers' meetings.

Since the last annual convention the church edifice has been enlarged by the insertion of twenty slips, which has added much to its beauty and convenience. It now

contains sixty pews and slips, most of which are occupied.

#### MISSIONARY REPORTS.

From the report of the Rev. WILLIAM ALANSON, Missionary at Medina, Orleans county.

Since my last report I have continued, as usual, to officiate at Medina and parts adjacent. The financial state of the church I believe is generally understood not to be very desirable; it is however gradually improving, having collected myself last spring, by personal application, three hundred and sixty-four dollars. As to the spiritual state of the church, it is truly encouraging, the services being regularly attended, and with increasing seriousness and devotion.

Baptisms (infants 4, adults 2, ) 6; Marriages 4; Communicants (added 4, died 1, re-

moved 4,) 28; Funerals 6; Sunday School, teachers 4, scholars 28.

From the report of the Rev. HENRY S. ATTWATER, Missionary at Mount Morris, Livingston county.

As Missionary at Mount Morris, Livingston county, in the service of the New York Protestant Episcopal Missionary and Education Society, I beg leave to submit this my annual report for the year 1839.

St. John's Church, Mount Morris, Livingston county.—Baptisms (infants) 8; Confirmed 4, Communicants (died 1, removed 3, added 3) present number 40; Marriages 2; Funerals (belonging to this parish 4, not of this parish 3) total 7; Sunday School Scholars 55, Teachers 10.

The pecuniary contributions of this parish for various objects for the past year have

been as follows:

To the Diocest	na Missionary Fund,	•	•	•	<b>97</b> 50
66	Education "	•	•	•	7 31
64	Diocesan "	•	•	•	12 00
New York Pro	testant Episcopal Trac	et Society	y .	•	7 28
Parish Sunday	School, -	•	•	•	5 57
					230 66

Besides which the ladies of the congregation, through a sewing society, have contributed \$12 in aid of the Parish Sunday School Library, and by means of a Fair have

raised \$200, which they have invested for the purchase of an organ.

The services of your Missionary for the past year have like the former been chiefly devoted to St. John's Church, Mount Morris, where I have preached every Sunday excepting one, which was given to the parish of Genesso, then destitute of a minister. I have also preached twice in Groveland on funeral occasions, twice at Moscow, twice at Tuscarora, once at York, and once at Dansville.

The church at Mount Morris has been opened for divine service and a sermon on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Circumcision, Ash Wednesday, and Good Friday. After divine service lectures have been delivered, generally fon each of the holy days named in the calendar; on every Wednesday or Friday from Advent to Easter, and generally on Sunday evening since Trinity Sunday. A lecture on the communion service has also generally been delivered on every Friday before communion. On the first Monday in each month a meeting is generally held for the communication of missionary intelligence.

Another means of good recently adopted is the monthly distribution of Tracts of the Protestant Episcopal Society, New York. On the last Sunday of every month a copy of some one Tract is placed in each pew of the church, and also a proportionate number on the seats in the gallery. These are for the occupants of the seats to either take or leave, as they please; and ordinarily the attention of the congregation is invited

to the Tracts so distributed by some remarks from the deak.

The Sunday School, by the blessing of God, is more flourishing than at any former period. On Saturday afternoon of each week I also meet the elder children of the Sunday School and such others as choose to attend in my study, for familiar religious instruction.

From the report of the Rev. Amos G. Baldwin, Missionary at Montezuma and Cayuga Bridge, Cayuga county.

I continued at Mayville, a missionary station, till the 1st of May, when I relinquished may connection with that church. I have nothing to report respecting that church

deserving of notice.

I have been at Montexuma and Cayuga Bridge since the beginning of September, and am engaged to perform service at Montexuma three-fourths of the time, and at the Bridge one-fourth; that is, every other Sunday merning. It is expected that churches will soon be organized in each of those places.

From the report of the Rev. L. A. BARROWS, Missionary at Not-wich, Chenango county.

I have but little to communicate relative to the church in this place. I think that I can say that our numbers are permanently increasing. The prospects for raising up a good congregation here are rather more encouraging than when I lest reported. Steadily persevering, with the blessing of God the Church will eventually be built up in this place. But its progress will be slow; difficulties are many, and often embarraming and discouraging.

There are 30 Communicants (added 5, died 1, removed 4); Marriages 5; Sunday School Scholars 40; Teachers 8.

Contributions:

To the Missionary and Education Society,  To defray the expenses of the Primary Convention,	•	<b>\$</b> 5 00 <b>2</b> 00
		<b>87</b> 00

From the report of the Rev. John Barley, Missionary at Owego, Tiogs county.

Since my last report which was made to our former beleved diocesan, my attention and time have been, as formerly, devoted to this village, with the exception of an occasional visit to those parishes in the neighborhood destitute of a clergyman. This parish is yet in its infancy, and during the year past has been visited with affliction by the death of three most truly amiable and pious communicants. The number of families attached to the congregation is small, but there is amongst them that harmony and unity of effort, that enlightened piety and guarded seal which renders them worthy of that church in communion with which it is their privilege to live. Within the year past we have not been favored with such accessions to the number of our communicants as is so much desired by every minister of the gospel, but yet prejudice has been removed, the destrines and practice of the church are better understood, and we indulge the hope that believers have been built up in the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ. We would wish to record our gratitade to our heavenly. Father for the good examples of all those who have been removed in his faith and fear from Christian intercourse with us here, to the communion of saints in heaven. Your missionary is happy in being able to say that one striking feature in the character of this parish is a gradual and peaceful growth and a wish to present the church in all her beautiful proportions, as the pillar and ground of the truth. The members of the congregation through their building committee, have contracted for the erection of a church to be thirty-eight feet by fiftyeight, including the vestibule, which we trust will soon be ready for consecration. To accomplish an object so desirable as that of having a suitable place in which to worship and participate in all the holy associations of the sanctuary, our friends have contributed most liberally. But yet we shall be under the necessity of looking to our brethren in different parts of the diocese for aid to enable us to go through with that which has been so laudably undertaken.

The sum raised the past year for various purposes are as follows:

For the expenses of the last Convention,

For Diocesan Missions,

For Sunday School Books, Prayer Books and Tracts,

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For the erection of a Church, 2000

Present number of Communicants 15; Removed by death 3; Added 4; Beptisms

Present number of Communicants 10; Removed by death 3; Added 4; Deptisms edules 1, and infants 3; Confirmation 1; Attended 5 funerals, and solemnized 1 marriage.

From the report of the Rev. SETH W. BEARDSLEY, Missionary at Moravia, Cayuga county.

St. Matthew's Church, Moravia, to which the missionary has devoted the principal share of his services, has been considerably weakened by removals and death, and now contains about 18 families, besides a considerable number of individuals who are decidedly attached to the doctrines and worship of the Church. The musionary has officiated one Sunday for the vacant parish of St. Paul's, Aurora, Cayuga county, and on three Sundays at the village of Groton, Tompkins county, where there are a few friends of the Church. Once on a funeral occasion he has officiated at Geneva.

During the year past, a few liberal individuals have dressed and trimmed the desk

and pulpit of St. Matthew's Church in a nest and becoming manner.

A small collection will be forwarded to the Education and Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York; and a collection is to be made next Sunday for the Diocesan Fund of the Diocese of Western New York.

Since the last report there have been, Marriages 4; Burials 5; Communicants (added 4, removed 2, died 1) present number 19.

From the report of the Rev. J. A. Brayton, Missionary at Hamilton Madison county.

This parish, (St. Thomas' Church Hamilton,) has suffered severe losses by remevals during the past year; losses which it seemed little able to sustain,—but by the blessing of God upon its generous efforts to support its ministry and public worship, it has still made some advancement. The congregation is increasing, and the state of religious interest encouraging. The Sunday school is regularly kept up; average attendance about twenty to twenty-five.

Baptisms (adult 1) 12; Confirmed 8; Marriages 4; Burials 2; Communicants (added 6, removed 5,) 36;

From the report of the Rev. NATHAN B. BURGESS, Missionary at Rome, Oneida county.

This parish remains in much the same condition as at the last report. A few families have left by removals, and about the same number have united. The church, therefore, remains nearly stationary as to numbers; but the advantage as to pecuniary means during this year is decidedly in favor of this Church. There has also been a gradual increase in the attendance on public worship for the three years in which I have had the charge of the parish, especially during the last year; and the hearers appear to have become more settled and permanent, and do not now attend other places of worship for the sake of "hearing some new thing."

During the current year I have preached one Sunday in the Diocese of New York; one Sunday I have performed divine service in the town of Camden in this Diocese—where are few families of Episcopalians—where I preached three times to very respectable and attentive congregations. The remainder of my time has been devoted to the services of this church—having preached twice on Sundays, on the Festivals and Fasts

of the Church, and a weekly lecture during the season of Lent.

There is a Sunday School attached to this parish, under the direction of a superintendent and four teachers. The number of scholars cannot at this moment be accurately stated.

Communicants (removed 5, died 1, added 4) 28; Baptisms (adults 2, children 9) 11; Marriages 6; Funeral 1.

Collection:

For the Missionary and Education Society, - - \$14.37

From the report of the Rev. Lucius Carrer, Missionary at Hunt's Hollow, Allegany county.

No important change in the state of this Church has taken place since my last report. I have continued to officiate twice every Sunday, with only one or two exceptions, at the parish church, with the addition, usually, of a third service at some place a few miles distant. The places most frequently and regularly visited for this purpose are Nunda village and Portage Falls.

Communicants (removed 3, added 2,) present number 80; Baptisms (infants 6, adults 1,) total 7; Confirmed 4.

Centributions:—
Education and Missionary Society.
Diocesan Fund,
5 00

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From the report of the Rev. TAPPING R. CHIPMAN, Deacon Missionary at Brockport, Monroe county.

In obedience to the 4th canon of the diocese of New York, I present you the following report of my missionary labors at Brockport, Monroe county, for the past year.

The organization of St. Luke's Church, Brockport, took place in September 1838. Being soon after called to the rectorship of the same, I entered upon my official duties on Sunday, Sept. 30, since which time my constant and undivided labors have been

devoted to the parish.

Though we have failed as a parish to realize all the success which we anticipated, yet we have no cause for discouragement. The auspices under which we commenced were peculiarly flattering, and promised the speedy and almost unobstructed establishment of the church here, where before it was comparatively unknown and unloved. After the lapse, however, of a few mouths, difficulties of a nature rather to try our patience and to retard our progress, than to excite alarm, arose in an unexpected quarter. Owing to these difficulties, we have been unable to purchase, according to our design, the house in which we meet for divine worship, which was built and owned formerly by a non-Episcopal denomination. The present general pecuniary pressure renders it absolutely as coursely for us to postpone still farther a purchase or an attempt to build. The effect of all this has been to present us to the community as in an unestablished condition; and consequently to prevent that degree of increase for which we might otherwise have looked. Still we confidently hope that through the kindness of Divine Providence, our own efforts, and the assistance of our Christian brethren abroad, will render our next parochial report much more favorable.

It is confidently and gratefully believed by your missionary, that through his humble efforts to promote the cause of "Evangelical Truth and Apoetolic Order," ignorance of the Church and projudice against her have been in no inconsiderable degree removed; and that the doctrines of that Gospel which is "the power of God and the wisdom of God," are, though silently, yet truly, producing their own salutary effects upon the hearts of the congregation. For what has been accomplished, the Great Head of the Church be praised! And through his continued blessing, may these first fruits

efour labors prove the unfailing earnest of a future abundant harvest!

It is hoped that we shall escupe censure for the omission of the common parochial collections, which was by no means intended at first, but arose from the peculiarity of our circumstances. They will hereafter be regularly made.

The following are the statistics of the parish:—Number of families something over 49; present number of Communicants 32; of those who have been on our register 6 have removed; Baptisms (adults 6, infants 12,) total 18; Marriages 2; Burials 13.

From the report of the Rev. GEO. DENISON, Missionary at Upper Lockport, Niagara county.

The condition of the parish is in many respects highly encouraging. The Spirit of the living God—without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy—has evidently, especially of late, been with the Missionary in his works. In consequence of this blessing a very interesting class now await confirmation, all of whom (excepting those who have already come to the table of the Lord) look forward with solemn thanksgiving to the first communion season subsequent to confirmation, as the day when they shall in the most solemn of all acts "profess a good profession before many witnesses."

Had it not been for a certain pecuniary disappointment, hardly to have been looked for, this parish would no longer either ask or be willing to receive Missionary aid. From assurances derived from a variety of sources not now necessary to be named, the vestry of Grace Church felt certain of the then heretofore ordinary banefaction of Trinity Church, of whom it may be almost said by Western New York, that she "is the mother of us all." Under this hope they incurred a debt in completing their church of \$2,000, which they now find themselves most unexpectedly compelled to

meet entirely alone. Of this sum about \$1,700 has been subscribed, conditioned however on the entire amount being made up. The burden of this falls of course mainly on the very men who had already given all they thought themselves able. It is believed, or rather hoped, that in twelve months this parish may be reported out of debt, when it will be glad to see the stipend it now receives bestowed upon others more worthy but less favored.

Marriages 2; Baptisms (adults 9, infants 14) 23; Burials 13; Communicants (added 17, removed 7, died 1, withdrawn 1, suspended 1) present number, exclusive of source of those not communicants now only awaiting confirmation to become such, 53.

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Salary of Missionary at the Station,	•	•	500 00
Sunday School Library, -	•	• '	40 00
Other collections,	٠.	•	40 00
For sundry expenses of the church -	•	•	130 00
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From the report of the Rev. EDMUND EMBURY, Missionary at Penn Yan, Yates county.

The Church at this place is at present in a highly flourishing state. The number of hearers is constantly moreosing, and there is every reason to believe that in a short time the congregation will be both large and respectable. Besides the usual Sunday services, the church has been open for divine worship on the facts and festivals. A lecture has been delivered for the most part of the year on each Friday immediately preceding the communion, which is administered once every month. The Sunday school has been unavoidably suspended for a while. The children of the congregation, however, are weekly instructed at the alter in the extechism by the minister.

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Diocesan Fund,	• •	•	•	•	7	50
Episcopal Fund, -	-	•	•	•	' 1	25
Collections at Communion,	•	•	•	•	13	54
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The collections at communions have been taken up only for a short time past. Other monies have been raised to a considerable amount to defray the expenses of the Church during the last year. A collection will be shortly made for the Education and Missionary Society, and transmitted to the Treasurer.

Baptisms (1 adult) 7; Communicants 28; Marriages 6; Funerals 3.

From the Report of the Rev. GRONGE B. ENGLE, Missionary at Fulton, Oswego county, and Baldwinsville, Onondaga county.

Since my last report I have continued my services on this station, officiating in the above mentioned parishes on alternate Sundays, and giving a third service regularly once in two weeks, and occasionally oftener, to Calvary Church, Nut Hill. I have also had occasional services in neighboring school houses. My present plan, which was put in operation last Sunday, is to officiate in each of the above named parkhes every Sunday, giving to Nut Hill the afternoon service each Sunday; to Baldwinsville and Fulton the morning service on alternate Sundays, and an evening service on the intermediate Sundays. Thus all my congregations are called together every Sunday. My "Sabbath day's journey" is about 14 miles: Nut Hill is about midway between the extremes.

Zion Church, Fulton.—Our congregation since July last have worshipped in their unfinished edifice. We had hoped to finish before this, but we have faded for want of means. We expect to plaster soon and worship there during the coming winter.

Baptisms (adult 1, children 8) 9; Confirmed (2 from Baldwinsville) 7; Communicants (removed 1, added 4) 20; Marriages 1; Funerals 2. I had Bible Class during the fall and winter.

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Collections ! Missionary Fund, **82** 00 Education, 1 50 Diocesen 283 Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, 2 00

Grace Church, Baldwinsville.—Baptisms (adult 1, infants 8) 9; Communicants (added 9) 12. We have had Sunday School a few months past:

Collection:

Expenses of Convention.

Colvery Church, Nut Hill.—I mention this parish as I have had charge of it during the past year. The first sermon, I think, ever preached in this town by an Episcopal clergyman was delivered by the Rev. Dr. Rudd of Utica, on the last Sunday in August, 1838, in a neat little church built and furnished by Col. John E. Hinman, of Utica, and now let to the congregation without rent. When I took charge of this parish, (at the request of the proprietor of the building,) there was no one to make responses unless first directed by reference to the page where the responses are found. They can now generally respond very well. Owing to the peculiarity of the parish, I have not administered the Lord's Supper here. There are, I believe, one or two who would become communicants, and I intend soon to give an opportunity.

During the past year I have baptized 19; Butied 3; Married 1; Administered the

Lord's Supper 8 times, and preached 151 times.

From the report of the Rev. John P. Fenner, Missionary at Fayetteville, Unondaga county.

The missionary commenced his labors at this station on the 24th March last, and has regularly performed the services of the Church, and preached twice on the Lord's day, with the exception of a few instances, when he preached for his brethren in the neighborhood: He also performed service and preached on Good Friday. And in the spring, so long as the season made it practicable to collect a congregation, he performed the regular service of the Church, and lectured on one evening during the week. The congregation has increased, and there has been increasing seriousness and attention. The performances of the choir are very good. The Church is united and zeelous, and its prospects are favorable. Other services in the neighborhood than those reported in the note appended were contemplated, but the parish itself has fully occupied the missionary, having required and received much pastoral visitation.

Baptisms 2, (1 adult, 1 infant;) Confirmed 2; Communicants (removed 1, added 4,

of which one is new,) present number 31; Marriages 3; Funerals 2.

Collections:-To defray the expenses of the Convention, **3**5 50 6 00 For the Diocesan Missionary Society, -

The Sunday school: the missionary is uniformly present, and exercises a general supervision. There are I assistant superintendent and librarian; 4 male teachers; 5 ismale teachers; 50 scholars enrolled, 35 probable average attendance; library 264 volumes. The school has more than doubled, and an addition has been made to the Bbrary within the last six months.

The ladies' sewing society has appropriated the proceeds of its work towards the purchase of carpeting, lamps, and other church furniture. It has been useful not only in this respect, but also by promoting Christian fellowship among the female members of the church. They meet once a fortnight, when the missionary attends, and performs religious service, and as opportunity offers, reads missionary intelligence, &c.

A commodique vestry-room has been built, improvements have been made in the chancel, reading desk, and pulpit; and a pair of astral lamps have been procured by the congregation generally. A set of neat ware for the holy communion has been presented by one female member of the church, and a linen surplice by another.

From the report of the Rev. Isaac Garvin, Missionary at Auroraville, Erie county.

Since January last I have been making an effort to resuscitate the church at Autora,

Erie county, which I organized three years since. In Aurora and vicinity I have five different places where we have the service of the Church; Aurora, Wales, Hamburg,

Shelden and Strikersville.

To meet the spiritual wants of about 25 communicants of eminent picty, and their families, I ride about as many miles as there are members. These services for the past year, I have performed at my own expense, which involves me for my house rent and provisions. I must have suffered extremely had it not been for the uncommon liberality of Dr Shelton, of Buffalo. The Rev. Mr. Metcalf, and the Rev. Mr. Bolles have been brothers in need and deed.

Prom the report of the Rev. Humphrex Hollis, Missienary at Richford, Tioga county, and McLean, Tompkins county.

I entered upon the charge of this station and commenced services on the 8th of (September) the present month.

Zion Church, McLean, Tompkins county.—This little congregation counts but few in number, yet if I judge aright from my short acquaintance, these few are not lacking in zeal. I have found no parish register, but as near as I can learn, there are about 12 communicants.

St. John's Church, Richford Tiega county.—This congregation is very feeble, having suffered much from removals. The number of communicants I have not yet been able to accertain. These two congregations can only be sustained at present by missionary aid, but I humbly trust the time may come when the Church shall rejoice that she furnished a shepherd for these little flocks in the wilderness. Of the stations composed of Danby and Candor, where I have officiated most of my time since my last report, I would respectfully report:

Christ Church, Dauby.—Communicants (removed 1, died since I lest 1,) present number 25; Baptisms (children) 4; Marriages 2.

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They have also purchased an organ at an expense of							

From the report of the Rev. DAVID HUNTINGTON, officiating at Fayetteville, town of Guilford, Chenango county.

The present minister began to officiate here on the 3d Sunday after Easter, April 21st, 1839. The parish having been vacant about half a year, since the death of the Rev. Mr. Rogers, late missionary.

Baptisms (adults 4, infants 2,) total 6; Confirmed 9; Communicants 43; Marriage 1; Deaths 2; There are about 27 families, who compose the congregation, and who contribute more or less to the support of the church.

From the report of the Rev. James Krezer, Missionary at Harpersville, Broome county.

During the past year I have officiated regularly in this Church, and though I have not the pleasure to record any extraordinary manifestations of attention to religious services, the hope is cherished that religious impressions are deepening, and that our people are growing in grace. It is gratifying to know that religious sensibility has vis-

ited some families and individuals in our vicinity that have hitherto appeared destitute of it. It is manifest from their conversation and attendance on religious ordinances that they are renewed in the spirit of their minds. The fullest blessings seem to be awarded to perochial visits and families instruction in families.

Communicants (7 added, 3 removed,) 48; Baptisms (8 adults, 1 infant,) 4; Marriages 2; Funerals 6; Confirmation 7.

Contribution to Missionery Fund,

\$15 00

From the report of the Rev. STEPHEN McHugh, Missionary at Holland Patent and Oriskany, Oneida county.

The mimionary at this station reports that he has during the past year officiated in both the parishes comprising his charge, as formerly, on the mernings of Sunday at Holland Patent, then proceeding to Oriskany and holding an afternoon, and generally evening services there. This arrangement, thanks to the Giver of all good, has been kept up since his return from the last annual Convention at New York, with a single exception, when, after proceeding a part of the way he was compelled to return, a flood rendering the road impassable. He has also had evening services twice in the village of Hampton, five miles south of Oriskany, in the Presbyterian and Methodist meeting houses. A few days subsequent to his last visit, he had the offer of an eligible lot in the centre of the village for a church edifice, with assurances of aid towards its erection, but deferred acting in the matter until he conferred with the Bishop, and until he, if consistent with other duties, could visit the village himself.

As it respects those parishes more immediately under his charge, if he has not gained much, he has certainly lost nothing. At Oriskany notwithstanding there are two ether congregations in that small village, yet is there an increased interest manifested towards sustaining the ministrations of the church.

At Holland Patent the number in attendance has been unusually large the past summer. The strong prejudices which heretofore existed against us, (and they were strong,) are receding as the evangelical truth and order of our beloved Zion advance. There are Sunday schools and Bible classes in both parishes, neither very large; and at Holland Patent there is a weekly pastoral meeting held in the houses of the members of the church in rotation; they are well attended, and your missionary has cause for believing are instrumental in effecting good.

Through the periodicals of the church and from other sources, you are already apprised of the establishment of the Hobert Hall Institute. It is a Church institution in every sense of the word, and your missionary would express his confident hope that it will prove worthy its parentage and name. Already does it number something like 50 students; and one young gentleman from Massachusetts has commenced a course of studies with reference to the ministry; to this end, as its principal, the writer devotes six hours of each day of five in the week; and so far his expectations as to its practical utility are realized. The Rev. Dr. Rudd, as professor of moral philosophy and sacred and profane history recently entered on the discharge of the duties of his professorable, and thus far they have been attended with the happiest results; such indeed as might be expected from a divine so favorably known in the Church for uniting in himself a long tried experience with sound wisdom and correct Christian principles.

In conclusion, your missionary is solemnly impressed with the belief that if he and the people of his charge were more frequent in their private approaches to a throne of grace, (and God knows this is no affected humility,) encouraging as are their present prospects they would be far more cheering, for he speaks from experience and from observation too, when he says the Church needs but to be favorably known to become the Church of the intelligent American's choice:

Statistics of both parishes as follows:

Holland Patent.—Marriages 4; Baptisms (infants) 4; Communicants (added 5, died 1,) total 37.

Collection for Education and Missionary Society, - \$6 00 Also for expenses of Diocesan Conventions as paid treasurer's account.

Orisbany.—Marriages 4; Baptisms (infants) 11; Communicants (added 4, remered 3,) 50; Deaths 4

Collection for Education and Missionary Society, - \$5 60

From the report of the Rev. THOMAS MEACHEM, Missionary at Allen's Hill, Ontario county.

As I have had the charge of this parish but three months, my report is necessarily brief. Owing to ill health, my esteemed predecessor, the Rev. George H. Norton, resigned his pastoral charge about a year ago, having been the minister of this parish meanly eighteen years—a circumstance so unusual in these days of novelty and instance.

bility, that it deserves to be recorded.

Although the church here has suffered severely by removals and deaths during a few years past, still there are some valuable members left, who are anxious to premote her welfare, and whose kindness to their minister convinces him that they esterm him very highly in love for his work's sake. The congregation increases, and strict attention is paid to the preaching of the Word.

The Ladies' Sewing Society of the parish has furnished materials for covering anow

the deak and pulpit.

I have baptized 1 adult. The number of communicants is about 25.

Contributions:

To charitable purposes, Diocesan Missionary and I	- Education (	Society.	•	•	<b>8</b> 1 63 7 00
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These sums were contributed this year before I came here.

From the report of the Rev. STEPHEN C. MILLETT, Missionary at Pompey and Jamesville, Onondaga county.

Since May the 12th of this year I have had charge of Christ Church, Pompey, and St. Mark's Church, James ville.

Christ Church, Pompey.—Communicants 34; Confirmed 9; Baptisms (4 adults, 2 infants) 6; Marriage 1; Funeral 1.

Contributions:

For expenses of the Convention, - - 4 09
For Diocesan Missions, - - 8 90

A Bible Class in both of these parishes is well attended. In addition to my regular services on Sunday I have occasionally officiated in places adjacent.

Report of the Rev. Rufus Murray, Missionary at Lewiston, Niagara county.

For the year past my services, as heretofore, have been given to the parish of St. Paul's Church. No essential changes have taken place since my last date, but what are incident to all parishes, removals and deaths; those friends with whom "we took sweet counsel together, and walked into the house of God in company." A regular attentive and respectful congregation, evince their attachment to the evangelical liturgy and services of the Church: with a manifest desire of "continuing steadfastly in the Apostolic doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread and in prayers." A few weeks since during a tremendous thunder gost, which passed over our village, the church edifice, destitute of a conductor, was struck with lightning; but we have great reason for thankfulness to the Divine Head, that but a trifling damage was done, and that to the spire alone.

I have attended the burial of one of the officers at Fort Niggara, also preached and

attended the funeral of a communicant at Youngstown.

Collections :---

For the expenses of the Primary Convention,

The subsequent one at Auburn,

For the Education and Missionary Society,

10 00

Besides that for the purchasing of a communion set for the altar.

The statistics of the parish are as follows:—Baptisms 10; Marriages 15; Burials 8; Communicants (flied 1, removed 6, added 6,) present number 33, Sunday school scholars about 40.

From the report of the Rev. THOMAS J. RUGER, Missionary at Marcellus, Onondaga county.

This report of my labors in St. John's Church, Marcellus, Onondaga county, embraces only the part of the diocesan year which has elapsed since the middle of June. My labors have been wholly confined to this parish, with the exception of one Sunday, in which I exchanged with the Rev. Mr. Clark of Skeneateles. The congregation of St. John's Church have very considerably increased since my services commenced with them, and a serious attention to the word of divine truth appears to pervade our assemblies.

Four have been added to the communion, present number about 20: Baptisms 3 infants; Funeral 1.

Contributions:—
Education and Missionary Society,
Diocesan Fund,
50

As I was the missionary of Christ's Church, Sherburne, before my call to St. John's, Marcellus, I would state that the number of communicants added since the last report were 2; removed 3; present number 63; Baptisms (1 adult, 5 children.) 6; Marriages 2; Funerals 2.

From the report of the Rev. ERASTUS SPALDING, Missionary at Vienna, Ontario county, and Sodus, Wayne county.

Since the last annual report I have continued to officiate as formerly at either station on alternate Sundays. In Sodus the prospects of the church are very nearly as then stated. Its progress is slowly but steadily onward. During the past season there have been sustained in the parish two Sunday schools, in all numbering some sixty or seventy scholars.

Marriage 1; Baptisms (adult 1, infants 6,) 7; Funerals 5; Communicants (added 2, removed 4,) whole number 40.

In Vienna, my other station, I have officiated regularly at two places. And here, I am sorry to say, the prospects of the church are not as encouraging, owing mainly to the want of a suitable place for worship. As yet we have no church. There is still, however, held out some encouragement that we shall have one.

Marriages 2; Funerals 6; Communicants (added 1, removed 4,) remaining 9. I have attended one funeral in the town of Manchester.

Collections:—
Diocesan Fund,
Diocesan Missionary Fund,
4 03

From the report of the Rev. Lucius Smith, Rector and Missionary at Fredoria and Forrestville, Chautauque county.

Since my last report I have continued to officiate at Trinity Church, Fredonia, three fourths of the time, and at St. Peter's Church, Forrestville, one-fourth of the time. I am happy to say that both congregations are prosperous. It will be seen by the report below that there have been added to the communion twelve the past year. The invaluable visit of our Bishop has very much strengthened our hands, and encouraged our hopes. We trust the first fruits are the earnest of a richer harvest. We are in great want of Prayer Books and tracts. The collections required by the church have been made, but we feel the want of a regular system which shall operate uniformly throughout the diocese.

Beptisms (infants 12, adults 5,) 17; Confirmation 17; Communicants 43; added 12, Funerals 6.

From the report of the Rev. RICHARD SMITH, Missionary at Hector, Tompkins county, and Johnson's Settlement, Chemung county.

At the close of another canonical year, in making my report as Missionary at Hector and Johnson's settlement, I have to state the progress of the churches committed to my charge. I am sorry to say at, Hector the church is rather stationary; at present declining from removals. But on the other side of the Seneca Lake, where I have labored occasionally for some months past, giving a service once a week, and a third on Sunday once in two weeks; at this place, called Big Stream Point, from 20 to 30 attend on week days, and from 60 to 70 on Sundays; and I am happy to any, join in our service, not only from choice, but I trust with a desire to embrace the truth as it is in Jesus, and feeling a desire to worship God in spirit and in truth, approving of the Church and her Liturgy. A Sunday school has been formed and the proprietor of the place has not only supplied the families with Prayer Books, but has given the school a set of our Sunday school library books. I have at this place solemnized 1 marriage. At Jefferson, the head of the Lake, I attended and performed another marriage ceremony. There we have a small neat church, but a very few members; I have not been able to attend from the pressure of other labors. I have also officiated twice at Havana, three miles above, to attentive congregations. At Hector I have attended 43 services—we have 10 communicants. At Big Stream, in Yates county, I have attended about 18; and at Eddytown 1.

At Johnson's Settlement.—I feel encouraged and am thankful to the Great Head of the Church. The congregation has increased much; here we have a good Sunday school, and I trust the prospect of a few at least who will give their hearts to God, and unite with his Church. May the Good Shepherd not only make me useful in gathering the scattered sheep, but may God in mercy bless and water the seed sown, that eventually an abundant harvest of precious souls may be gathered into the Church, and be eternally saved.

I have at this place about 25 communicants, from 50 to 60 Sunday school children; 4 male and 6 female teachers; I have solemnized 3 marriages, baptized 4 children, and attended one funeral. I have attended at this place and neighborhood 56 services. And also at Enfield, in another direction, held two services, where we have a few members of our church, and I think eventually a station may be formed there.

From the report of the Rev. A. C. TREADWAY, Missionary at Sacketts Harbor, Jefferson county.

Baptisms (adults 3, infants 7,) 9; Marriages 3; Funerals 23—16 of which were of soldiers of the 8th regiment U.S. infantry, stationed at this post—Communicants 45.

We have made but one collection in the course of the year, the object of which was to aid the Sunday school of the parish, and for defraying the expenses of the special Convention. A collection for diocesan missions and education purposes was appointed to take place on the last Sunday in October, but was deferred in consequence of the storminess of the weather. This object shall be effected, however, immediately after the adjournment of the Convention, and the result made known to the proper authorities of the Church.

The additions to the communion have been fewer than could have been desired; but present appearances, nevertheless, are encouragingly indicative of the future and permanent improvement of the parish.

The U.S. troops garrisoned at the Madison barracks attend our worship, and the missionary performs the duties of chaplain to the post. These duties are gratuitously rendered, as the government allow no chaplain to the regiment. Exclusive, however, of our accessions from this source, the increase of the congregation within the past year has been very considerable.

The missionary is desirous of here recording his grateful sense of the obligations under which he is brought to the Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of the central part of the Sate of New York, and the New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, for most liberal supplies of Prayer Books for the soldiers; and to the N. Y. Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, for a large number of tracts for the same purpose.

From the report of the Rev. Lewis Thibou, Jr., Missionary at Angelica, Allegany county.

Baptisms (adult 1, infants 6,) 7; Confirmed 11; Marriage 1; Funerals (of the parish 5, of others 12,) 17; Communicants (died 1,) present number 68.

The missionary is aware of nothing in connexion with this station which requires to be particularly mentioned. An organ has been purchased and placed in the church. The number of pew-holders has gradually increased. The parish may be stated to be more prosperous than at any former period.

From the report of the Rev. HENRY TULIADGE, Missionary at Weathersfield Springs, Genesee county.

Having resigned the charge of Trinity Church, Seneca Falls, I entered upon this station on the 1st of March last. Since that time I have officiated here regularly on Sundays, holding two or three services, and have occasionally performed a third service at Warsaw, a village about seven miles distant. I also preached several times during Lent and in Passion Week. I regret to say that I have met with but little as yet to encourage my hopes as a missionary; there are indeed a few devoted friends of the Church here. The neat and commoditous edifice in which we worship was erected at an expense of six thousand dollars, by the zeal and liberality of two brothers, who also constitute the main, I may almost say the only contributors to support the preaching of the gospel. But there are scarcely half a dozen other families who are truly attached to the church. The illiberal prejudices against the forms and doctrines of the church. which in more enlightened regions are fast disappearing, are here still rife and prevalent. Scotarianism in various forms has been allowed to pre-occupy the ground, and seems to have taken abundant and vigorous root. It will take some time for the church to become well established here, but its superior claims will, I doubt not, be eventually appreciated as they become better known and understood. I have been gratified to observe that the younger portion of the community around me very generally attend church, and that regularly. I have had a class of them, mostly young ladies, to meet me during the summer on Saturday afternoons, for religious instruction, particularly in the doctrines of the Church. I have a respectable Sunday school, which would be much more flourishing than it is but for the want of suitable teachers, and of a library. This I superintend, and examine the children in the catechism and in the New Tosta. ment generally every Sunday. Collections for the benevolent objects of the Church I should have been glad to have made, but this has been hardly possible in the present feeble state of the congregation, while the whole burden of support rests upon so few. I trust, however, that another year they will do their part towards supporting the missicnary and benevotent operations of the church. All that I have been enabled to do thus far has been to collect about five dollars for the benefit of the Sanday school. I have preached in Warsaw several times in the Methodist and Presbyterian houses to very respectable congregations. Here we ence had a church organized with flourishing prospects, but most of the principal supporters of the church have moved away, and very few are left. However I am not without hope that the Church may again be revived there; there are still remaining some who love the Church and would do all in their power for its support.

Baptism (infant) 1; Funerals 2; Marriage 1; Communicants (added 2,) 16; Sunday school—Teachers (male 2, female 3,) 5; scholars 35.

From the report of the Rev. NATHANIEL WATKINS, Missionary at Pierrepont Manor, Jefferson county.

During the past year I have performed the regular services in my own parish on the Lord's day, and have generally attended the Sunday school in the morning, and as often as circumstances permitted, met a Bible class of young people for religious instruction in the evening. Yet I regret to say, that with the exception of a few additions to the church, there has not been, as far as I can judge, any great improvement in the parish the past year. I have also to regret the loss of four worthy members by removals to other parishes. However, through mercy, we still enjoy the blessings of health, peace, and harmony; and I have the satisfaction to believe that all the members of my little flock are striving to walk worthy of their high and holy calling. In addition to the duties of my own parish, I have performed occasional services in two places, at each of which the congregation is large and attentive, and I hope and

pray that the seed sown in those places may not be lost. I cannot close my report without remarking that the visitation of our beloved Diocesan in this parish in June last was attended with great good. The influence then exerted is still apparent.

Statistics:—Baptisms (adults) 2; Confirmed 20; Punerals 1; Marriages 2; Communicants (added 9, removed 4,) present number 36; Sunday school, including teachers, average attendance 40.

Collections:—					
Education and Missionary Society, -		•	<b>\$30</b>	00	ř
Domestic Missionary Society,	•		18	00	)
Bible and Prayer Book Society of the Protestant Epis	-				
copal Church,	•		10	00	)
Tract Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church,	•		10	00	)
Sanday School Union,	•		10	00	ļ
General Theological Seminary,	-		10	00	)
Bible and Prayer Book Society of Central New York	k,		15	00	)
Missionary Disposable Fund,	-		15	00	Ì
Foreign Missionary Society,	•		10	00	)
			\$128	00	•

From the report of the Rev. Wm. M. WEBER, Missionary at Perryville, Madison county.

Not having made any missionary report since my connexion with the Church at Perryville, in May, 1838, my present report will embrace the period between that and

the present time.

Although in impaired health and scarcely able to officiate on the Lord's day, yet owing to the feeble state of the congregation, I was induced to preach once on each Sunday during the summer immediately succeeding my occupation of the station. My health having somewhat improved, I officiated twice on nearly each Sunday during the last winter and spring. The distance of the station from my place of residence, is such that it has been decemed advisable for me not to perform the morning service; so that now I am only officiating once on each Sunday. Morning service is however regularly held through the assistance of a worthy and devoted member of the Church, who acts as lay reader. Although unable to devote but a part of my time to the interests of the parish, yet the statistics of the report will show, that as an humble instrument, my ministrations have been somewhat blessed of the Lord. To his name be the praise and glory.

Baptisms (adults 3, infants 2,) 5; added to the Communion 8; Communicants (removed 3, died 2,) 5; Funerals 1.

Collections have been made to the Education and Missionary Society, to the Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, and to the Episcopal and Diocesan Fund.

From the report of the Rev. LLOYD WINDSOR, late Missionary at Fayetteville and Pompey, Onondaga county; now Missionary at Geneseo, Livingston county.

On the 1st November, 1838, having been duly appointed missionary at Fayetteville and Pompey, I entered immediately on the discharge of my duties; preaching twice on Sunday, and holding a Bible class on Wednesday evening of each week at the houses alternately of the parkhioners. These duties, together with the stated administration of the Lord's Supper, were continued until the 18th day of December, when I was, by my own request, transferred to my present station, Geneseo. Here I entered on my duties on the Sunday following, i. e. the 23d of December. As there was no parish register at Fayetteville and Pompey, and as my continuance there was so short, I cannot report the state of those parishes. But I feel it to be my duty to say in regard to the Church at Fayetteville, where I resided, and where most of my duties were performed, that greater zeal and devotion in proportion to the numbers engaged, were never, I believe, witnessed. There were individuals in that parish who gave, as the free will offering of their hearts, nearly or quite a tithe of their annual income. To secure the entire services of a clergyman, and his residence among them, they were psepared to sacrifice any expense and trouble that could be reasonably required of them.

And I am indeed happy to hear that they are now supplied with the entire services of

the Rev. John P. Fenner.

At Genesco, the Church had been closed nine months previously to my taking charge of it, and was found in quite a low state. In a few months, however, after entering on my duties its energies seemed to revive, and the prospect has gradually become more and more encouraging. The attendance on the Sunday services and the Thursday evening lecture has of late considerably improved, and some interest has been awakened on the subject of the sacraments of baptism and the Lord's Supper.

I have baptized (adults 2, infants 10,) 12; there have been Confirmed at the recent visitation of the Bishop 5; I have attended 4 funerals; not being able to find any records in this parish, I have ascertained with as much accuracy as possible, the number of Communicants to have been when I took charge, 34; (added since 9, died 3,) 40.

Excepting a collection made for the Sunday school, and one for the expenses of the recent Convention at Auburn, there have been no collections during the past year made in this parish; all its energies in this way being required for repairs on the church, which were of immediate necessity. And in furtherance of this object, by the laudable efforts of the ladies of the congregation, the sum of \$250 was realized at a recent sale of articles of needle work.

As a missionary I have thought it my duty to hold services and preach elsewhere than at Geneseo, and have accordingly done so at a station formed near the residence and on the estate of the Hon. Judge Carroll, where I humbly trust some good was accomplished. In conclusion, I have to return sincere thanks to the Giver of every good and perfect gift, that his divine blessing has never been wanting on our unworthy and humble labors in the cause of Christ and his Church.

From the report of the Rev. MARSHALL WHITING, late Missionary at Onondaga Hill and Geddes, Onondaga county.

Since my last report, until about the 1st of July, when I resigned the charge of this station, I continued as during the preceding year, to preach on Sundays at the Hill in the morning, and at Geddes in the afternoon. For a few Sundays I held a third service at the Hill. In addition to the ordinary Sunday services and others appointed by the church, I have preached occasionally in adjoining parishes. The Sunday school at the Hill and Bible class at the Hollow have been attended by about the same numbers as last reported.

Zion Church, Onondaga Hill.—Marriages 3; Baptisms (infants) 5; Funerals 6; Communicants (removed 5, added 3,) 34; Confirmed 3.

Collections:				_	
Missionary Branch of Education and	Miss	iopary S	06.	<b>\$10</b>	00
Education "	86	•	<b>'</b>	6	00
Dioceean Fund,	•	•	•	3	00
Fur expenses of Special Convention,	•	•	•	7	<b>50</b>
African Mission, -	•	•	•	6	65
By several Communicants for the san	10.	•	•	13	35
Contingent expenses of Church,	•	•	•	5	00
				\$51	50
Apostolic Church, Geddes.—Baptisms (infa	nte) 2	; Confi	rmed 1	•	
Collections:-					
For expenses of Special Convention,	•	•	•		00
Missionary Branch of Education and	Missi	onary S	oc.,	2	39
Education "	64	_	44	1	84
				₹0	23

In conformity to the canon relating to clergymen "without charge," I would further report that since resigning the charge of this station I have officiated several Sundays, chiefly in the diocese of New York.

From the report of the Rev. Gordon Winslow, Missionary at Elmira, Chemung county.

Trinity Church, Elmira.—Baptisms (adults 1, infants 21,) 23; Communicants (added 13,) 41; Marriages 3; Funerals 9; Sunday school—teachers 10; scholars 60.

Collections:—						
Monthly Offerings,	•	•	•	•	•	\$60 00
Diocesan Missions,	•	•	•	•	•	16 00
Sunday School, -	•	•		•	•	15 00
Other collections, abou	ert	•	•	•	•	150 60
						6041 00

Up to the first of the present month this church has received the missionary stipend in part support of its minister. They desire to offer many thanks to God for the timely aid thus rendered them, and are determined by the continued blessing of Divine Providence, to manifest their gratitude both to God and their brethren, by generous contributions from time to time in furtherance of all the benevolent designs of the Church.

The Bishop has received reports, according to the canon, from the following clergymen of the diocese, not having parochial or missionary charge in the diocese, viz:—

The Rev. BENJAMIN HALE, D. D., residing at Geneva, president of Geneva College.

GEORGE H. NORTON, residing at Allen's Hill, Ontarie county, in ill health.

The Rev. Groude S. Portra, reciding at Fredonia, Chantauque county, in ill health.

JOHN C. RUDD, D. D., Professor of Moral Science, and of the Evidences of Christianity, in Hobart Hall, Holland Patent, and Editor of the Gospel Messenger and Church Record of Western New York, Utica, Oneida county.

The Rev. James O. Stokes, residing near Medina, Orleans county.

MARSHALL WHITING, residing at Onondaga Hill, Onondaga county.

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St. Mark's  Christ  St. Luke's  St. John's  St. Stephen's  St. Peter's	Hunt's Hollow Binghamton Harpersville Ellicottville Olean Auburn	Rev.	Lewis Thibou, jr Lucius Carter, Edward Andrews, James Kecier, Thomas Morris, do		1 1 3	661	7 7 3 4	11 4	3	44 1.	
St. Peter's Trinity St. Luke's St. Paul's St. Peter's	Westfield	,, ,,	Seth W. Beardsley Lucius Smith, do  Nathaniel Huse, do	18	П	12	17	b.	3	15	
Trinity St. James' St. John's St. Peter's Trinity Christ Zion Grace St. Andrew's Emmanuel St. Paul's Calvary St. Paul's Calvary St. Paul's Trinity St. James' St. Mark's St. John's St. Clement's St. Paul's Trinity St. Peter's St. Mich's St. John's St. Peter's St. Mich's St. John's Trinity St. Peter's St. Mich's St. John's Trinity	rinity rinity hrist rinity rinity rinity rinity rinity rinity raul's rau	79 77 79	Gordon Winslow, Richard Smith, do William E. Eigenbro John V. Van Ingen David Huntingto John V. Van Kessel W. John V. Wassel W. John V. The H. Sodus Sodus Erastus Sodus Erastus Sodus Erastus Sodus Erastus Penn Yan Edmind Emund France Cool I Sodus Edmind France Chons Sodus Edmind Emund France Cool I Sodus Edmind Emund Emun				•				

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No. II.

## CONSTITUTION

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE

DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW YORK.

#### ARTICLE I.

There shall be a Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western New York on the third Wednesday in August in each year, in such place as shall be determined by the Bishop for the time being; or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate by the Standing Committee. In the event of the prevalence of any epidemic disease, or for other sufficient cause, occurring after the designation of the place of the meeting of the Annual Convention, the Bishop, or in case of his inability to act, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee may appoint another place for the meeting of the Convention.

#### ARTICLE II.

The Bishop shall have power to call Special Conventions when he may judge it conducive to the good of the Church, or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopal Chair, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a Special Convention.

#### ARTICLE III.

The Convention shall be composed of the officiating Ministers, being regularly admitted and settled in some Church within this Diocese, which is in union with this Convention; and of Lay Members, consisting of one or more Delegates, not exceeding three, from each Church, to be chosen by the Vestry or Congregation. And Clergymen employed as Missionaries under the direction of this Convention, and Clergymen engaged as Professors and Instructors

of youth in any College, Academy, or general Seminary of Learning, duly incorporated, may be members of the Convention.

#### ARTICLE IV.

Every Convention shall be opened with prayers and a sermon; and the preacher shall be nominated by the Bishop; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee.

#### ARTICLE V.

The Bishop shall preside in the Convention; but in case of a vacancy, or necessary absence, the members shall elect a President from among the Clergy.

#### ARTICLE VI.

A Secretary shall be chosen upon the assembling of the annual Convention, from among the members thereof, who shall remain in office until the meeting of the next annual Convention, and until a successor be appointed. His duty shall be to take minutes of their proceedings, to preserve their journals and records, to attest the public acts of the body, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Convention which may be in his possession. It shall also be his duty to give due notice to each Minister and Vestry of the time and place appointed for the meeting of the succeeding Convention.

#### ARTICLE VII.

In all matters which shall come before the Convention, the Clergy and Laity shall deliberate in one body; and in voting, the Clergy shall vote by individuals, and the Laity by congregations; and when more than one Church or Chapel shall be united under one Vestry, the Delegate or Delegates of such Vestry shall be entitled to a vote for each Church or Chapel; and a majority of votes of the two orders jointly shall be decisive; but if in any case it be required by five votes, the two orders shall vote separately in the manner aforesaid, and the concurrence of a majority of each order shall be necessary to constitute a decision. In the case of electing a Bishop, the two orders shall always vote separately, agreeably to the mode last prescribed.

#### ARTICLE VIII.

The mode of altering this Constitution shall be as follows: A Proposition for an amendment shall be introduced in writing, and considered in the Convention; and, if approved of, shall lie over to the next Convention; and, if again approved of in the next ensuing Convention, by a majority of the two orders voting thereon separately, the change shall take place, and the Constitution so altered shall be valid and obligatory.

#### No. III.

## RULES OF ORDER,

IN CONDUCTING THE BUSINESS OF THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW YORK.

- I. At the opening of any session of the Convention, the President shall take the chair, and shall continue to preside during its sitting. He shall possess the usual powers of presiding officers in deliberative assemblies, to preserve order and decorum, and shall decide all questiens of order, subject to an appeal to the house. He shall have the right to name any clerical member to perform the duties of the chair, but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment, unless directed by the house. The person so named shall possess all the powers of the President, but shall not lose the right of voting while so presiding.
- II. If the Secretary of the preceding Convention be in attendance, he shall officiate as such, until another be chosen. If he be not present, or there shall be none, a temporary Secretary may be appointed on motion by a viva voce vote.
- III. Upon the chair being taken by the President, the Secretary shall call over the names of the clergy entitled to seats in the Convention, and shall enter in the Journals those who are present. Notice shall then be given to the Lay-delegates to place their certificates on the table. They shall be examined by the Secretary and a committee of two members to be appointed by the President. Any irregular or defective certificate shall be suspended until a quorum shall have appeared. The names of the Lay-delegates duly appointed shall then be called, and those who are present shall be entered on the Journals. The irregular and defective certificates shall then be reported to the Convention, who shall decide on the admission of the delegates named in them.
- IV. A constitutional quorum being found to be present, the President shall declare the Convention duly organized.
- V. A Secretary shall then be chosen in the manner prescribed by the canons. He may appoint an assistant, who shall perform all the duties of the office, in the absence of the Secretary.

- VI. The following standing committees shall be appointed by the President:—
  - 1. On the admission into union with this Convention of churches applying for the same, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen.

2. On the diocesan fund, to consist of two clergymen and two laymen, together with the Treasurer of the Convention.

- 3. On the accounts of the Treasurer, to consist of three laymen.
- VII. A Treasurer of the Convention shall be appointed by ballot, unless dispensed with by an unanimous vote, when he may be appointed on motion.
- VIII. After the daily morning prayer the order of business, which shall not be departed from without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, shall be as follows:
  - 1. The reading, correcting, and approving of the minutes of the preceding day.

2. Calling the names of absent members, and entering in the

Journal those who appear.

- 3. Reports from standing committees in the following order:—
- 1. From the committee on the admission into union with the Convention of this diocese of churches applying for that purpose.

2. From the committee on the diocesan fund.

- 3. From the committee on the Treasurer's accounts.
- 4. Reports from the Secretary, and Treasurer, when those officers have any business committed to them, shall then be in order: and then Reports from the Trustees of the Episcopal fund.

5. Reports from special committees in the order in which

they were appointed.

- 6. Motions, resolutions, and miscellaneous business.
- IX. The Bishop's Address shall be in order at any time.
- X. Every member who shall be present when a question is stated from the Chair shall vote thereon unless excused by the house.
- XI. No motion shall be put or debated until it is seconded; and when seconded it shall be stated by the President before debate, and every motion shall be reduced to writing when required by the President, or any member.
- XII. If the question in debate contain several distinct propositions, any member may have the same divided.
- XIII. When a question is under debate no motion shall be received unless to postpone it indefinitely; to postpone it to a certain time; to lay it on the table; to commit it or amend it; and motions for either of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein

- named. But a motion to adjourn shall always be in order when no member is speaking, and shall be decided without debate; and if it be negatived, it shall not be renewed until some other business has intervened.
  - XIV. A motion to lay on the table shall be decided without debate.
- XV. On a question being put by the President, it shall be determined by the sound of voices for or against it, but any member may require a count of the votes, and tellers for that purpose shall be appointed by the Chair—or any three votes may, previous to a decision by count, require the ayes and noes to be taken, which shall be done by calling the names of the clerical members and the churches represented, and the votes shall be entered in the Journals.
- XVI. Any five votes may require the ayes and noss to be taken by orders, and when so taken, they shall be entered on the minutes.
- XVII. No member may speak more than twice on the same question without leave of the house.
- XVIII. A question being decided shall not be reconsidered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the votes of the Convention, nor without the motion for that purpose being made by one of the majority on the prior decision: nor shall any question be reconsidered more than once.
- XIX. All special committees shall be appointed by the Chair, unless etherwise specially directed by the house, in which case they shall be appointed by ballot.
- XX. The election of the Standing Committee, and of Delegates to the General Convention, the election of any person to supply a vacancy in the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal fund, and the choice of a Treasurer, shall be the first business, after the approval of the minutes, on the second day of every annual meeting of the Convention.
- XXI. No standing rule or order shall be suspended, changed, or rescinded without one day's previous notice of a motion to that effect, unless by the votes of two-thirds of the persons present entitled to vote.
- XXII. Before the final adjournment of any session of the Convention, the minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read, corrected, and approved.
- XXIII. Unless otherwise ordered by the Convention, it shall meet at nine o'clock in the morning, take a recess from one to two o'clock in the afternoon, and adjourn for the day at six o'clock P. M.

#### No. IV.

## LIST OF CHURCHES IN THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW YORK.

Alleghany County.	Angelica	St. Paul's.
Aneguary County **	Hunt's Hollow	St. Mark's
Recome County	Binghamton	
Brooms County 1111	Harpersville	
Cattanana County	Ellicotville	
Cattaraugus County,	Olean,	
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Cayuga County	Auburn	
46	Aurora	
Chautauque County,	Forrestville	
4	Fredoria	
	Jamestown	
u <sub>.</sub>	Mayville	
	Westfield	
Chemung County	Big Flatts	
66	Elmira	
66	Jefferson	
4	Johnson's Settlement,	and the second s
Chenango County	Bainbridge	St. Peter's.
4	Coventry	
" "	Fayetteville	Christ.
<b>66</b>	Greene	Zion.
44	Mount Upton	Grace.
4	New Berlin	St. Andrew's.
46	Norwich	Emmanuel.
u	Oxford	St. Paul's.
u	Sherburne	Christ.
Cortland County	Homer	Calvary.
	Auroraville	
4	Black Rock	
4	Buffalo	
<b>N</b>	4	Trinity.

Genesee County	Batavia	St. James'.
64	Le Roy	St. Mark's.
a	Sheldon	
44	Weathersfield	
Jefferson County	Brownville	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
4	Dexter	
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4	Pierrepont Manor	
<b>4</b>	Sacket's Harbor	
	Watertown	
Lewis County	Turin	
44	**	St. Paul's Chapel at
-		Constableville.
•	Lowville	
Livingston County	Dansville	St. Peter's.
64	Geneseo	
44	Mount Morris	St. John's.
68	West Avon	
	Hamilton	-
	Perryville	
	Brockport	
4		
4	Penfield	
-	Rochester	
4	• 44	St. Luke's.
Niagara County	Lewiston	St. Paul's.
44	Lockport	
4		Grace.
44	Royalton	St. Luke's.
Oneida County	Holland Patent	St. Paul's.
u	New Hartford	St. Stephen's.
a	Oriskany	St. Peter's.
44	Paris	St. Paul's.
46	Rome	
46	Utica	
48	64	Trinity.
-	Farretteville	<b>—</b>
Chondaga County	Fayetteville	A nostolia
44	Geddes	Apostone.
4	Jamesville	ot mark s.
46	Manlius	Christ.
46	Marcellus	
• "	Onondaga	Zion.
46	Pompey	Chist.
и	Skaneateles	St. James'.
4	Syracuse	St. Paul's.
*	Baldwinsville	Grace.
Ontario County	Canandaigua	
K	Centrefield	Trinity.
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Ontario County Orleans County Oswego County	Phelps	St. Paul's. St. John's.
Seneca County	Fulton	Christ.
4	Waterloo Bath Hammond's Port	St. Thomas'.
Tioga County	Cander	St. John's.
Tompkins County	Danby	Christ. Trinity.
Wayne County	McLean	Zion.
	LyonsPenn Yan	Grace.
Total — 96.		•

#### No. V.

#### DIRECTIONS

For persons desirous to become Candidates for Holy Orders, and for those desiring Ordination as Deacons and Priests.

DERECTIONS FOR THOSE WISHING TO BECOME CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

- Can. VI. 1888.—Sec. 1. A person wishing to become a candidate for Holy Orders must, in the first instance, give notice of his intention to the Bishop, or if there he no Bishop, to the ecclesiastical authority, or to the President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.
- Sec. 2. He is then to apply to the Standing Committee for their recommendation of him to the Bishop, to be admitted as a candidate for Orders. To enable the Committee to act, he must lay before them.—
- I. Evidence of his having made his intention known to the Bishop.
- II. A certificate to the following effect, unless the Standing Committee can certify the same facts of their own knowledge:
- "To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Western New York.

  (Date.)
- "We, the subscribers, from a satisfactory knowledge of the character of A. B., do hereby testify our belief that he is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrines, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and a communicant of the same; and in our opinion possesses such qualifications as will render him apt and meet to exercise the ministry to the glory of Gon and the edifying of the Church."
- The above certificate should be signed by one presbyter, and at least four respectable laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is not absolutely essential that the signers of the above should have a personal acquaintance with the applicant; but they may act

upon such knowledge of his character from other sources as is sat. is factory to them.

III. (Sec. 8.) A satisfactory diploma; or a certificate from the instructor or instructors of some approved literary institution, which certificate must state what have been his studies, and the extent of his improvement in them; or a certificate from two presbyters, appointed by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to examine him of his possessing such academical learning as may enable him

to enter advantageously on a course of Theology:

Or, (Sec. 4.) When the person applying to be admitted a candidate wishes the knowledge of the Latin and Greek languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, he must, instead of the above mentioned diploma or certificate, lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial signed by at least two presbyters of the Church, stating that in their opinion he posseeses extraordinary strength of natural understanding, a peculiar aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence; with proper evidence that the Bishop, with the consent of a majority of the clerical members of the Standing Committee, has granted such dispensation. The Canons provide that this dispensation shall not be granted to any person under 27 years of age, and that no person shall be ordained under such a dispensation until he shall have attained 30 years of age; but as to the Hebrew language, the power of dispensation rests with the Bishop alone, without reference to the age of the candidate. The Standing Committee may then sign a testimonial in behalf of the candidate, which he must produce to the Bishop, who (Sec. 6.) may thereon admit him as a candidate for Orders: in which station he must remain three years before his ordination, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the clerical members of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain him after the expiration of a shorter period not less than one year.\*

<sup>\*</sup>The Canons contain also the following provisions, which, however, have no relation to the testimonials. (Sec. 5.) With this enumeration of qualifications, it ought to be made known to the candidate, that the Church expects of him—what can never be brought to the test of any outward standard—an inward fear and worship of Almighty God: a love of religion, and sensibility to its holy influence: a habit of devout affection: and in short, a cultivation of all those graces which are called in Scripture the fruits of the Spirit, and by which alone his sacred influence can be manifested.

<sup>(</sup>Sec. 9.) If a candidate shall not, within three years after his admission, apply for his first and second examinations, or within five years for his third and fourth examinations, he shall in either case cease to be a candidate.

<sup>(</sup>Sec. 10.) Any person desirous to become a candidate for Huly Orders, must apply to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he resides, unless they shall consent that the application be made in some other Diocese.

Candidates are not to change their canonical residence but for bona fide causes requiring the same, and to be judged of by the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority.

#### DIRECTIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS WIREING TO BE ORDAINED DEACONS.

Can. XV.—(Sec. 2.) A candidate for Holy Orders wishing to be ordained a Deacon, must by before the Standing Committee a testimonial in the following words:

"To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Western New York:

The above certificate is to be subscribed by the minister and vestry of the parish where the candidate resides, or by the vestry alone if the parish be vacant, (of which circumstance the Committee must be duly certified,) and must contain the names of at least a majority of all the wardens and vestrymen. The respective titles of the minister, wardens and vestrymen must be attached to their signatures. If there is no vestry where the candidate resides, the circumstance must be certified to the Committee, and then the testimonial must be signed by at least twelve respectable persons of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is not absolutely essential that the signers of this testimonial should be personally acquainted with the candidate; they may act upon a satisfactory knowledge of his character from any other source.

The candidate must also lay before the Standing Committee a certificate in the following words:

" To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Western New York:

"I do hereby testify that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of Deacons. This testimonial is founded on my personal knowledge of the said A. B., for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this —— day of ——, in the year of our Lord ——."

The above testimonial must be signed by at least one respectable presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. The Standing Committee may then sign the canonical recommendation to the Bishop for Orders; which the candidate is to exhibit to the Bishop.

#### DIRECTIONS FOR DEACONS WISHING TO BE ORDERED PRIESTS.

A Deacon wishing to be ordered a Priest, must lay before the Standing Committee the same testimonials, subscribed in the same way, as those required of him on his application for ordination as a Deacon; except (Sec. 5.) that they may be so altered as to extend to such portion only of the three years preceding his application for Priest's Orders as has elapsed since his ordination as Deacon; and except also, that if he be the minister of the parish, the testimonial of piety, good morals, and orderly conduct, shall be signed by the vestry alone. The Standing Committee may then give him the canonical recommendation for Orders, which he is to exhibit to the Bishop.

No person shall be ordained Priest, unless he shall produce to the Bishop a satisfactory certificate, from some church, parish, or congregation, that he is engaged with them, and that they will receive him as their minister; or unless he be a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he belongs; or in the employment of some missionary society recognized by the General Convention; or unless he be engaged as a professor, totor, or instructor of youth in some college, academy, or other seminary of learning duly incorporated.\*

Candidates for ordination as Priests or Deacons, are referred to the following further provisions.

Canon XV.—(Sec. 3.)—If the candidate, from peculiar circumstances not affecting his pious or moral character, shall be unable to procure testimonials from the ministry and vestry of the parish where he resides, testimonials to the effect required may be received from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and from at least one respectable presbyter who has been personally acquainted with the candidate for at least one year.

(Sec. 4.)—A candidate recommended by the Standing Committee of any church destitute of a Bishop, if he shall have resided for the greater part of the last three years within the Diocese of a Bishop, shall apply to such Bishop for ordination, and shall produce the usual testimonials, as well from the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he has resided, as from the Committee of the Church in the Diocese for which he is to be ordained.

(Sec. 5.)—In the case of a candidate for Priest's Orders, who has been ordained a Deacon within three years preceding, the testimonials above prescribed may be so altered as to extend to such portion only of the three years preceding his application for Priest's Orders, as have elapsed since his ordination as Deacon.

<sup>•</sup>For the case of one who has officiated as a minister of another denomination, see Canon IV. of the General Convention of 1838.

#### No. VI.

#### INSTRUCTIONS AND FORMS

FOR THE INCORPORATION OF AN EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK;

Prepared by a Committee appointed for that purpose by the Convention of the Diocese of Western New York, November, 1838.

- L The Persons who may incomposate themselves.—By the act of March 5th, 1819, (3d vol. Rev. Statutes, p. 301 of 1st edition and p. 213 of second edition,) it is provided that the male persons of full age, belonging to any church, congregation or religious society, in which divine worship shall be celebrated according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this state, and not already incorporated, may at any time meet for the purpose of incorporating themselves.
  - 1. They must be males, of twenty-one years of age.
- 2. They must at the time, actually belong to a church, congregation, or religious society, &c. The length of time that they may have belonged to such church, &c. is immaterial.
- 3. They must belong to a church, &c. To ascertain who belong to a church we must recur to the act of April 5th, 1813, (3d vol. Revised Statutes, p. 292, 1st ed., p. 206 2d ed.) which thus classes them:—1st, who shall have been baptized in the Episcopal Church; or 2d, who shall have been received therein by the rite of confirmation; or 3d, who shall have received the holy communion therein; or 4th, who shall have purchased or hired a seat or pew in such church; or 5th, who have attached themselves to the Protestant Episcopal Church by some joint act of the parties and of the Rector. This may be by a written engagement of the parties, made to the Rector of the church, by which they declare that they do thereby attach themselves to the Protestant Episcopal Church, and by which the Rector declares that he receives and recognizes them as belonging to that church.
- II. Previous processings expose tem meeting is much.—By the act of 1818, a notice must be given that the persons belonging to the church or congregation, will meet at a time and place specified

for the purpose of incorporating themselves, and of electing two wardens and eight vestrymen. This notice must be given in the time of morning service,—on two Sundays previous to the time of meeting. It must be given by the Rector, if there be one: if there be none, by any person belonging to such church or congregation.

It has been usual to insert in the certificate of incorporation, that the notice required by law, was given. But as the statute makes no provision for such a fact being thus certified, it would not be evidence of it. In order to preserve some evidence of that proceeding, it is recommended that the notice of a meeting, &c., as above directed, signed by the person who gave it, be preserved, and that an affidavit be endorsed on it, to the effect that "the within notice was publicly read in the time of morning service, on Sunday, the day of , and Sunday, the day of , in the year 18—, to the congregation worshipping in the — in the village [or town] of , according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church." This affidavit may be sworn to before a judge of any court of record, or a commissioner of deeds. If this affidavit and the notice be on the same sheet of paper with the certificate of incorporation, it will be filed and preserved with it, and may be found of great importance.

III. PROCEEDINGS AT THE MEETING.—If there be a Rector, he is to preside: if there be none, any person belonging to the church, or any other person, may be called to the chair, and preside. It is usual, and will be found convenient, to appoint a secretary of the meeting, although the statute does not require it. A well bound blank book should be provided, in which the proceedings may be entered at large, for the purpose of preserving the history of the organization of the church. A form of entering the minutes of this meeting, will be subsequently given. The first business should be ·to enter in the minutes the names of the persons who attend and are qualified to vote and act. The meeting should then proceed to choose two wardens and eight vestrymen, making ten in the aggregate. There must be neither more nor less than the number prescribed, and the same person cannot be chosen both warden and vestryman. This election may be either by ballot or viva voce upon open nomination, although the former mode is preferable. Two of the members of the meeting should be called on to assist in counting the ballots, so that they may join in the certificate. The names of the persons declared chosen should then be entered in the minutes. The meeting should then proceed to determine on what day of the week, called Easter week, the said offices of church wardens and vestrymen shall thereafter annually cease, and their successors in office be chosen, and this also should be entered in the minutes. The meeting is then to determine the name or title by which such church or congregation shall be known in law. This being entered in the minutes, they should be signed by the presiding officer, by the secretary, and the two persons who afterwards join in the certificate of incorporation.

If the minutes be thus kept, and any accident should happen to the certificate, or it should prove to be imperfect, or a new one for any cause should become necessary, it can be had without calling another meeting. In the same book the minutes of the subsequent vestry meetings should be entered, and thus a complete record would be preserved.

IV. The certificate of incorporation is then to be made out, signed and sealed, as follows:

#### FORM OF A CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION.

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY CONCERN: We whose names and seals are affixed to this instrument do hereby certify, that on the tenth day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, the male persons of full age worshipping [in the school house of school district number three, in the town of Manlius, in the county of Ouondaga, and State of New York,] or [in the Academy in the village of Norwich, in the county of Chenango, or sin the Court House in the town of Lockport, in the county of Niagara,] or [in their house of public worship, in the town of Angelica, in the county of Alleghany, called St. John's Church,] or [any other place, as the fact may be,] in which congregation divine worship is celebrated according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York, and which is not already incorporated, met at their place of worship aforesaid for the purpose of incorporating themselves as a religious society, under the acts of the legislature of the State of New York, and in pursuance of notice duly given to the said congregation, in the time of morning service on two Sundays previous to such meeting, that the male persons of full age belonging to said congregation would meet at the time and place aforesaid for the purpose of incorporating themselves, and of electing two church wardens and eight vestrymen; and we further certify that [the Rev. John Knox, being Rector of said church, presided at the said meeting,] or, if there be no Rector, [there being no Rector of the said congregation, or church, the undersigned, William Thomas, was by a majority of the said persons so met, called to the chair, and presided at the said meeting.] and we further certify that at the said meeting, Thomas Jones and William Thomas were duly elected church wardens of the said congregation and church, and James Scott, &c., [naming eight persons] were duly elected vestry-That Tuesday [or whatever day was selected] in Easter Week, was by the said meeting fixed on as the day on which the said offices of church wardens and vestrymen should annually thereafter cease, and their successors in office be chosen; and that the said meeting determined and declared that the said church and congregation should be known in the law by the name of "The Rector,

Church Wardens, and Vestrymen of St. John's Church, in the tewn of Mardius, in the county of Onondaga."

> In TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, the said [John Knox,] or [William Thomas,] who presided at the said election of Wardens and Vestrymen, and Thomas Stiles and Jacob Faithful, who were present and witnessed the proceedings aforesaid, have hereunto subscribed our names, and affixed our seals, this tenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight.

Signed and scaled in the presence of WILLIAM THOMAS, JAMES STONE, THOMAS CHURCHMAN.

with a seal attached. THOMAS STILES, [with a seal attached.]

Some persons other than those who JACOB FAITHFUL, signed the certificate.]

with a seal attached.

V. This certificate must be proved by one of the subscribing witnesses before the Chancellor, or a Judge of the Supreme Court, or a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the County, in which the place of worship is situated; or it must be acknowledged by all the persons who signed it, before one of those officers. Neither a Circuit Judge, a Supreme Court Commissioner, nor a Commissioner of Deeds, nor any other officer than those above enumerated, can take the proof or acknowledgement.

Form of a Certificate of PROOF by a subscribing witness, to be endorsed on the Certificate of incorporation.

STATE OF NEW YORK, It is hereby certified that on this Onondaga County, ss. Seleventh day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, before me, the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the said county of Onondaga, personally appeared James Stone, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he saw William Thomas, Thomas Stiles, and Jacob Faithful, sign and seal the within instrument on the day of the date thereof; that the said persons were to him personally known to be the same individuals described in, and who executed the said instrument; that he was a subscribing witness to the execution of the same, and that he resides in the town of Manlius, in the county of Onondaga. And I further certify that the said James Stone, is to me personally known to be the same individual who was a subscribing witness to the execution of the said instrument. [In case the witness is not personally known to the officer, the following should be substituted for the last clause;

further certify that the said James Stone was to me satisfactorily proved by the oath of William Adams, residing in the said town of Manlius, to be the same individual who was a subscribing witness to the execution of the said instrument.]

# Form of a Certificate of ACKNOWLEDGMENT, by persons signing the Certificate.

STATE OF NEW YORK, \ It is hereby certified, that on this ele. wenth day of November. in the year one Onondaga County, ss. thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, William Thomas, Thomas Stiles, and Jacob Faithful, appeared before me, the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the county of Onondaga, and severally acknowledged that they had respectively signed and sealed the within instrument: And I further certify that the said persons who made the said acknowledgement, are to me personally known to be the same individuals described in and who executed the said instrument. [In case the persons are not known to the officer, the following should be substituted for the last clause: further certify that at the same time James Stone, residing in the said town of Manlius, appeared personally before me, and being by me duly sworn, deposed that he knew the said several persons, who made the said acknowledgement, personally, to be the same individuals described in and who executed the said instrument.]

VI. The certificate being thus executed, and proved or acknowledged, is to be presented to the clerk of the County, and recording, by him. The corporation dates its existence from the recording, which is therefore indispensable. A certified copy, under the seal of the County Clerk, of the certificate of incorporation; or the original certificate with an endorsement thereon by the County Clerk of the fact of its having been recorded, is then to be presented to the Bishop of the Diocese for his approbation. That being endorsed by him, the certificate is to be presented to the Convention, that it may receive into union with it, the Church so incorporated.

REMARKS.—The reasons for the directions and forms above given, could not be assigned without occupying too much space. They have been prepared with great care, and if faithfully followed, the incorporation will be perfect, and applicants for admission into union with the Convention, will not be so often disappointed, nor so frequently put to the trouble of re-incorporating themselves, as they have heretofore been, in consequence of neglecting the published forms.

The journals of the Convention of the Diocese of the State of New York exhibit many singular instances of perverse and wanton departure from the words of the statute, and the plain directions of the forms given. In two cases, one of the signers of the certificates was a subscribing witness, and they were rejected for that reason.

It may be proper to observe that the variations in the above form of a certificate, from that appended to the journals of the Convention of New York, are all deliberately made, for reasons that will be apparent to the professional reader. As to one variation, that of omitting to state that persons were nominated by the meeting to certify its proceedings, in conjunction with the presiding officer, it may be proper to remark that no such nomination is required by the statute and that while its insertion would unnecessarily encumber the certificate, it has been found that it misled and caused error.

The following form of MINUTES of the first meeting of a society to organize and incorporate themselves, is given, in the hope of promoting the convenience of our congregations.

Manlius, Onondaga county, Nov. 10, 1888.

On this day, the following persons, of full age, belonging to the Church and Congregation, worshipping in the Academy, in the said town, (or in their house of public worship in the said town, called St. John's Church,) in which divine worship is celebrated according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York, met together at their said place of worship, pursuant to notice duly given in the time of morning service, on two Sundays previous thereto, for the purpose of incorporating themselves as a religious society under the acts of the legislature of the State of New York, (Here insert the names of the persons present.) The Rev. John Knox, being Rector of the said church and congregation, was called . to the Chair and presided, (or there being no Rector of the said Church, William Thomas, was by a majority of said persons called to the Chair, and chosen to preside over the said meeting,) and Will. iam Adams, was appointed Secretary thereof. The notice calling the said meeting was then read in the following words: "Notice is hereby given, &c." (coyying it.) It was then on motion resolved, that the persons here present do proceed to incorporate themselves as a religious society in communion with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and that the said church and congregation be known in law by the name and title of "The Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen of St. John's Church in the town of Manlius, in the county of Onendaga."

The said meeting then proceeded, on motion, to choose two Church Wardens, and eight Vestrymen of the said Church, when the following persons were duly elected: William Thomas, and Thomas Jones, Church Wardens; James Scott, &c. (naming seven others) Vestrymen.

On motion, it was then Resolved, That Tuesday in Easter Week

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be fixed on as the day on which the said offices of Church Wardens and Vestrymen shall annually hereafter cease, and their successors in office be chosen.

A certificate of incorporation having been prepared, was presented, containing the above proceedings, which was signed by the Chairman of this meeting, and by Thomas Stiles, and Jacob Faithful, and was witnessed by James Stone, and Thomas Churchman, and the said James Stone was requested to prove the due execution of the same, and cause it to be recorded by the County Clerk.

[Signed.] WILLIAM THOMAS, Ch'n.

WILLIAM ADAMS, Sec'ry.

And also by THOMAS STILES, JACOB FAITHFUL.

## APPENDIX.

#### No. VII.

## FORM OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

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REV. SIR,—

It is made my duty by section 4, of Canon II. of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western New York, to give you notice that the stated annual meeting of the Convention will be held in —— Church, in ———, county of ————, on ———— the ———— of ————, 18—, at ——— o'clock.

If there be any vacant congregations in your neighborhood, you will please to extend this notice to the church wardens and vestrymen of the same.

I am also directed by a resolution of the Annual Convention of 1839, to send to you the following form of certificate for lay deputies to the Convention, which certificate must be in writing, and must be signed by the Rector of the parish of which he is a representative, or by one of the wardens, or by the clerk of the vestry of such church, as directed by section 4, of Canon II.; a copy of which is herewith transmitted, together with an extract from the third article of the Constitution.

I am also instructed to add that, the Bishop earnestly and affec-

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tionately desires the clergy to appear at the Convention in their official robes.

#### THIRD ARTICLE OF THE CONSTITUTION.

The Convention shall be composed of the officiating Ministers, being regularly admitted and settled in some church within this Diocese, which is in union with this Convention; and of Lay Members, consisting of one or more Delegates, not exceeding three, from each church, to be chosen by the Vestry or Congregation.

#### CANON II.—BECTION 4.

The appointment of a Lay Deputy to the Convention of this Diocese shall be certified in writing by the Rector of the parish of which he is a representative, or by one of the Wardens, or by the Clerk of the Vestry of such Church: and no other certificate of the appointment of any Lay Deputy or Deputies to the Convention of this Diocese shall be allowed or received. And no lay Delegate shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention unless he be entitled to vote for Wardens and Vestrymen of the Church which he is appointed to represent.

#### FORM OF THE CERTIFICATE.

It is hereby certified, that at a meeting of the Vestry of ——
Church, in ———, in the county of ———, held on the ——— da
of, 18, Mr was duly elected a Lay Deputy to the
Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese
Western New York, to be held in ——— on the ——— day of ———
next; and that the said Deputy is entitled to vote for Wardens ar
Vestrymen in the said — Church.
Dated this ——— of ———, 18—.

Clerk of the Vestry.

N.B. If more than one Deputy be chosen, a certificate in the above form may be given to each, or the names of all may be included in one certificate, varying the language accordingly.

I am likewise directed by a resolution of the Annual Convention of 1839, to send you the annexed form of a Parochial Report, " with a request that it be filled up, and handed or sent to the Bishop, to be read at the Annual Convention."

Norz. The canons require the parishes to contribute annually to the following objects, viz: To the Episcopal Fund; See canon XIII. Sect. 1; To the Diocesan Fund; See canon XIV; To Theological Education and the support of Missionaries; See canon XV. Sect. 2.

By a resolution of the same Convention it is many an equilation of the Diocese that monthly collections be made in every parish on the second or some other Sunday in the month, for the following Church objects, viz: Missions, Education, Expenses of State and General

Conventions, Increase of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate, Distribution of Bibles and Prayer-books, Sunday Schools, The General Seminary.

I am, Rev. Sir, very respectfully,

Secretary of the Convention.

#### PAROCHIAL REPORT.

Church,

the Rev.

RECTOR.

Bishop of the Diocese of Western New York. To the Right Rev. Report of the Parish of Church, in in the for the year ending 18 county of ; Adults, ; uts, ; Total, CONGREGATION. Families, ; Children, ; Infants, BAPTISMS. Adults. CONFIRMED, Added, { Admitted, ; } Total ; Died or removed, ; Present No. MARRIAGES, ; Total, Public Services. On Sundays, ; On other days, CHILDREN CATECHISED, Male Teachers, ; Pupils, Female Teachers, ; Pupils, MONTHLY COLLCCTIONS - Appropriated as follows, viz: REMARKS.

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#### No. VIII.

CHURCHES ADMITTED INTO UNION AT THIS CONVENTION.

#### No. IX.

#### STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D. Utica. W. C. PIERREPONT, Pierrepont

" BENJ. HALR, D. D. Geneva. Manor.

" WM. SHELTON, D. D. Buffalo. Thos. H. HUBBARD, Utica.

" KEND'K. METCALF, Le Roy, Robert C. Nicholas, Geneva. Genesee county. VINCENT MATTHEWS, Rochester.

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" PIERRE A. PROAL, D. D. Jonas Earli, Jr.

" WILLIAM SHELTON, D. D. CHESTER GRISWOLD,

" Lucius Smith. G. B. WEBSEER.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL DELEGATES.

Rev. P. P. IRVING, Heman J. Redfield,

W. S. DE ZENG,

ev. P. P. Irving, Heman J. Ked

" C. S. Hawks, W. S. De Zene

" J. V. Van Ingen, J. E. Hinman,

" JAMES A. BOLLES, JESSE CLARK.

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- Tan Right Rev. William Heathcote De Lancey, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese.
- Rev. Charles G. Acly, Rector of Trinity Church, Seneca Falls, Seneca county.
  - " William Allanson.
  - Edward Andrews, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Binghamton Broome county.
  - " Samuel G. Appleton, Rector of Christ Church, Manlius, Onondaga county.
  - " Henry S. Attwater, Missionary at Mount Morris, Livingston county.
  - " Amos G. Baldwin, residing at Montezuma.
  - " Liberty A. Barrows, Missionary at Norwich, Chenango county.
  - John Bayley, Missionary at Owego, Tioga county.
  - " James A. Bolles, Rector of St. James' Church, Batavia, Genesee county.
  - William W. Bostwick, Missionary at Hammond's Pert and Wayne, Steuben county.
  - " Fortune C. Brown, Deacon, residing at Bridgewater.
  - "Nathaniel F. Bruce, M. D., Missionary at Scottsville, Honeoye-Falls, and Pennfield, Monroe county.
  - " Nathan B. Burgess, residing at Rome.
  - Leverett Bush, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Oxford, Chemango county.
  - " Clement M. Butler.
  - " Lucius Carter, Missionary at South Danby, Tompkins county, and Candor, Tioga county.
  - "Tapping R. Chipman, Missionery at Brockport and Clarkson, Monroe county.
  - Joseph T. Clark, Rector of St. James' Church, Skaneateles, On-

Rev. Samuel Cooke, Missionary at Lyons, Wayne county.

" Ebenezer H. Cressey, Rector of Christ Church, Lockport, Niagara county.

" William Croswell, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Auburn, Cayuga

county.

" Seth Davis, Missionary at Bridgewater, Oneida county.

"George Denison, Rector of Grace Church, Lockport, Niagara county.

Stephen Douglass, Missionary at Medina, Orleans county, and Roy-

alton, Niagara county.

" William E. Eigenbrodt, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge, Chenango county.

" Edmund Embury, Missionary at Penn Yann, Yates county.

"George B. Engle, Missionary at Fulton and Granby, Oswego county, and Baldwinsville, Onondaga county.

" John F. Ernst, Deacon, Principal of an Academy, Batavia, Genesee county.

" John P. Fenner, Missionary at Fayetteville, Onondaga county.

" John B. Gallagher, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, Onondaga county.

" Isaac Garvin, Missionary at Auroraville, Erie county.

" John D. Gilbert, residing near Palmyra.

"George D. Gillespie, Deacon, Missionary at Liverpool and Salina, Onondaga county.

" Henry Gregory, Rector of Calvary Church, Homer, Cortland

county.

"Benjamin Hale, D. D., President of Geneva College, Geneva, Ontario county.

" Cicero S. Hawks, Rector of Trinity Church, Buffalo.

"William W. Hickox, Missionary at Centrefield and East Bloomfield, Ontario county.

Humphrey Hollis, Missionary at Olean, Cattaraugus county.

" David Huntington, Missionary at Fayette and Mount Upton, Chenango county.

Nathaniel Huse, Missionary at Mayville and Jamestown, Chautau-

que county.

- "Pierre P. Irving, Rector of Trinity Church, Geneva, Ontario county.
- "Bethel Judd, D. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Ithaca, Tompkins county.

" James Keeler, Missionary at Harpersville, Broome county.

"T. M. Leavenworth, residing at Auburn.
"Henry Lockwood, residing at Rochester.

"John McCarty, Rector of Christ Church, Oswego, Oswego county. 
"Stephen McHugh, Missionary at Holland Patent and Oriskany, and principal of Hobart Hall, Oneida county.

" Thomas Meachem, Missionary at Richmond, Ontario county, and

Weathersfield Springs, Genesee county.

"Kendrick Metcalf, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Le Roy, Genesee county.

' Stephen C. Millet, Missionary at Jamesville and Pompey, Onondaga county.

" Thomas Morris, Missionary at Ellicottville, Cattaraugus county.

Rev. Rufus Murray, Missionary at Lewiston and Youngstown, Niagara county.

" Beardsley Northrop, Missionary at Moravia and Aurora, Cayuga

county.

" George H. Norton, residing at Richmond, Ontario county.

"George Ogle, Deacon, Minister of Grace Church, Black Rock, Erie county.

" William P. Page.

" Albert C. Patterson, Rector of Grace Church, Utica.

" Henry Peck, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Paris Hill, Oneida county.

' Marcus A. Perry, Principal of a School, Utica.

"George S. Porter, Missionary at Niagara Falls and Tonawanda, Niagara county.

" Augustine P. Prevost, Rector of St. John's Church, Canandaigua,

Ontario county.

" Pierre A. Proal, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Utica.

" Ferdinand Rogers, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Brownville, and

Missionary at Dexter, Jefferson county.

"John C. Rudd, D. D., Professor of Moral Science, and of the Evidences of Christianity in Hobart Hall, Holland Patent, and Editor of the Gospel Messenger and Church Record of Western New York, Utica.

"Thomas J. Ruger, Missionary at Marcellus, Onondaga county. William Shelton, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Buffalo.

" Lucius Smith, Missionary at Fredonia and Forestville, Chautauque county.

" Richard Smith, Missionary at Hector, Tompkins county, and John-

son's Settlement, Chemung county.

Erastus Spalding, Missionary at Vienna, Ontario county, and Sodus, Wayne county.

" James O. Stokes, residing near Medina, Orlean's county.

"Henry L. Storrs, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, Oneida county.

" Isaac Swart, officiating at Owego, Tioga county.

"Lewis Thibou, Jr., Missionary at Angelica, Alleghany county.
"Thomas Towell, Missionary at Sherburne, Chenango county.

" Amos C. Treadway, residing at Oswego.

"John V. Van Ingen, Rector of Zion Church, Greene, Chenango county.

Washington Van Zandt, Rector of Grace Church, Rochester.

"Gershom P. Waldo, Deacon, Principal of a School at Portageville, Alleghany county.

Nathaniel Watkins, Missionary at Pierrepont Manor, Jefferson

county.

"William M. Weber, M. D., Missionary at Perryville, Madison county.

Eli Wheeler, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Waterloo, Seneca county.

" Russel Wheeler, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, New Berlin, Chenango county.

Phinehas L. Whipple, Rector of St. Thomas Church, Bath, Steuben county.

Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Rochester.

" Marshal Whiting, Missionary at Onondaga Hill, and Geddes, Onondaga county.

" Hobart Williams, Deacon, residing at Utica.

" Lloyd Windsor, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Geneseo, Livingston county.

"Gordon Winslow, Rector of Trinity Church, Elmira, Chemung county.

Total—Clergy 89.

The following Clergy are officiating in the Diocese, although not yet Canonically transferred:

Rev. J. Rosevelt Bayley, Deacon, Missionary at West Avon, Livingston county.

' John F. Fish, Rector of Trinity Church, Watertown, Jefferson

county.

Benjamin W. Stone, Deacon, Missionary at Clyde, Wayne county.

#### LIST OF THE CLERGY WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

## Right Rev. WILLIAM HEATHCOTE DE LANCEY, D. D.

#### PRESBYTERS AND DEACONS.

Rev. Charles G. Acly,

- " Samuel G. Appleton,
- " Henry S. Attwater,
- " James A. Bolles,
- " William W. Bostwick,
- " Leverett Bush, D. D.
- " Tapping R. Chipman,
- " Ebenezer H. Cressey.
  - " George Denison,
  - " Stephen Douglas,
  - " William E. Eigenbrodt,
  - " George B. Engle,
  - " Isaac Garvin,
  - " Henry Gregory,
  - " Benjamin Hale, D. D.
  - " Cicero S. Hawks,
  - " Pierre P. 1rving,
  - " John McCarty,
  - " Stephen McHugh,

- Rev. Thomas Meachem,
  - " Kendrick Metcalf,
  - " Stephen C. Millet,
  - " Rufus Murray,
  - " George Ogle,
  - " Albert C. Patterson.
  - " George S. Porter,
  - " Pierre A. Proal, D. D.
  - " Ferdinand Rogers,
  - " William Shelton, D. D.
  - " John C. Rudd, D. D.
  - " Lucius Smith,
  - " Henry L. Storrs,
  - " Lewis Thibou, jr.
  - " Washington Van Zandt,
  - " Phinehas L. Whipple,
  - " Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D
  - " Marshall Whiting,
  - " Lloyd Windsor.

#### LIST OF LAY DEPUTIES WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

Alleghany county—Angelica, St. Paul's Church, Philip Church.
Chantauque county—Forestville, St. Peter's Church, William Colville, jr.
Fredonia, Trinity Church, Jonathan Sprague, Chauncey Tucker.

Westfield, St. Peter's Church, Jonathan Cass, Alpheus Baldwin.

Erie county-Black Rock, Grace Church, James Germain.

Buffalo, St. Paul's Church, George B. Webster, Henry Hamilton, R. H. Haywood.

Trinity Church, J. Radcliff; Henry Daw, Dyer Tillinghast.

Genesee county-Batavia, St. James' Church, William A. Seaver.

Le Roy, St. Mark's Church, A. B. Murphy, Elijah Platt. Weathersfield, St. Clement's Church, Reuben Doolittle.

Jefferson county—Pierrepont Manor, Zion Church, William C. Pierrepont.

Livingston county—Geneseo, St. Michael's Church, Samuel Lewis.

Monroe county—Rochester, Grace Church, N. B. Northrop.

St. Luke's Church, Henry E. Rochester, Vincent Matthews.

Ningara county—Lewiston, St. Paul's Church, Jonathan Bell.

Lockport, Christ Church, Washington Hunt.

Grace Church, Elias Ransem, jr. V. Spalding, G. H. Boughton.

Oneida county— Utica, Grace Church, John E. Hinman, Eli Maynard. Trinity Church, Rutger B. Miller.

Ontario county—Canandaigua, St. John's Church, W. S. Philpot.

East Bloomfield, Zion Church, F. N. Toby.

Geneva, Trinity Church, James Rees, Robert C. Nicholas.'

Richmond, St. Paul's Church, Edward Swan.

Orleans county-Medina, St. John's Church, William Peshine.

Oswego county - Oswego, Christ Church, A. P. Grant. 34

Seneca county—Seneca Falls, Trinity Church, John Isaacs.

The following Clergymen entitled to seats, were not present at the Convention:

Rev. Edward Andrews, D. D.

" Liberty A. Barrows,

" John Bayley,

" Nath'l F. Bruce, M. D.

" Lucius Carter,

" Joseph T. Clark,

" Samuel Cooke,

" William Croswell,

" Seth Davis,

" Edmund Embury,

" John P. Fenner,

" John B. Gallagher,

" George D. Gillespie,

" William. W. Hickox,

" Humphrey Hollis,

" David Huntington,

Rev. Nathaniel Huse,

" Bethel Judd, D. D.

" Thomas Morris,

" Beardsley Northrop,

" Henry Peck,

" Augustine P. Prevost,

" Thomas J. Ruger,

" Richard Smith,

" Erastus Spalding,
" Thomas Towell,

" John V. Van Ingen,

" Nathaniel Watkins,

" William M. Weber, M. D.

" Eli Wheeler,

" Russel Wheeler,

" Gordon Winslow.

The following Clergymen, not entitled to seats as members, were present at the sitting of the Convention:

Rev. James O. Stokes, of this Diocese,

" John F. Fish, officiating at Watertown.

" Robert Campbell of the Diocese of New York,

The following Clergymen, of the church of England, and officiating in Canada, were present at the sitting of the Convention.

Rev. John Anderson,

" Thomas B. Fuller,

" J. Gamble Geddes,

Rev. George Grant,

William Leaning,

" William McMurray.

## JOURNAL

OF THE

### PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

## Buffalo, Thursday, October 1st, 1840.

This being the day fixed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western New York, for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the same, the Right Rev. WILLIAM HEATHCOTE DE LANCEY, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, with a number of the Clergy and Laity, assembled at 10 o'clock A. M., in St. Paul's church, in the city of Buffalo, the place appointed by the Bishop for the meeting.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. James A. Bolles, assisted by the Rev. William E. Eigenbrodt, who read the lessons; and a sermon was preached by the Rev. Henry Gregory. The Bishop then administered the Holy Communion, in which he was assisted by the Rev. Drs. Hale and Whitehouse, and the Rev. W. W. Bostwick.

The Convention having been called to order by the Bishop, the Secretary of the last Convention proceeded, under his direction, to call the names of such of the Clergy in the Diocese of Western New York, as, by the Constitution, are entitled to seats in the Convention, when the following gentlemen answered to their names and took their seats as members, viz:

Right Rev. William Heathcote De Lancey, D. D., The Rev. Samuel G. Appleton, Henry S. Attwater, James A. Bolles, William W. Bostwick, Leverett Bush, D. D., Tapping R. Chipman, Ebenezer H. Cressey, George Denison, Stephen Douglass, William E. Eigenbrodt, George B. Engle, Isaac Garvin, Henry Gregory, Benjamin Hale, D. D., Cicero S. Hawks, Pierre P. Irving, John McCarty, Stephen McHugh, Thomas Meachem, Kendrick Metcalf, Stephen C.

Millet, Rufus Murray, George Ogle, Albert C. Patterson, Pierre A. Proal, D. D., Ferdinand Rogers, John C. Rudd, D. D., William Shelton, D. D., Lucius Smith, Henry L. Storrs, Lewis Thibou, jr., Washington Van Zandt, Phinehas L. Whipple, Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., Marshall Whiting, Lloyd Windsor.

The churches of the Diocese having been called in order for the

certificates of Lay Deputies,

The chair appointed the Rev. Pierre P. Irving, and the Rev. Wm. E. Eigenbrodt, under the third rule of order, to examine the same with the Secretary.

It was then on motion of the Rev. Dr. Proal,

Resolved, That the Convention take a recess until three o'clock this afternoon.

Whereupon the house took a recess until three o'clock.

## THURSDAY AFTERNOON, 3 O'CLOCK.

The Convention re-assembled.

The committee to whom were referred the certificates of lay deputies, having reported, the Secretary proceeded to call the churches in order, when the following gentlemen appeared as lay deputies and took their seats, viz: from

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES. St. Paul's, Angelica	DEPUTIES. Philip Church.
	Trinity, Fredonia	Jonathan Sprague,
Frie	.St. Paul's, Buffalo	Chauncey Tucker.
12110		Henry Hamilton.
	Maiaia.	R. H. Heywood.
	Trinity	Henry Daw,
,		Dyer Tillinghast.
Genesee	St. James', Batavia St. Mark's, Le Roy	
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Iofforson	St. Clement's, Weathersfield Zion, Pierrepont Manor	
	St. Michael's, Geneseo	•
	Grace, Rochester	A. B. Northrop.
	St. Luke's, Rochester	Vincent-Matthews.
Niagara	St. Paul's, Lewiston	
	Christ, Lockport	_
	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	V. Spalding,
		G. H. Boughton.

COUNTIES.		DEPUTIES.
Oneida	Grace, Utica	John E. Hinman.
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	Trinity, Utica	Rutger B. Miller.
Ontario	.St. John's, Canandaigua	William S. Philpo!.
	Trinity, Geneva	James Rees,
	-	Robert C. Nicholas.
	St. Paul's, Richmond	Edward Swan.
Orleans	.St. John's, Medina	W. Peshine.
	.Christ, Oswego	
Seneca	.Trinity, Seneca Falls	John Isaacs.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Whitehouse, the following were adopted as the

#### RULES OF ORDER:

# IN CONDUCTING THE BUSINESS OF THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW YORK.

I. At the opening of any session of the Convention, the President shall take the chair, and shall continue to preside during its sitting. He shall possess the usual powers of presiding officers in deliberative assemblies, to preserve order and decorum, and shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house. He shall have the right to name any clerical member to perform the duties of the chair, but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment, unless directed by the house. The person so named shall possess all the powers of the President, but shall not lose the right of voting while so presiding.

II. If the Secretary of the preceding Convention be in attendance, he shall officiate as such, until another be chosen. If he be not present, or there shall be none, a temporary Secretary may be

appointed on motion by a viva voce vote.

III. Upon the chair being taken by the President, the Secretary shall call over the names of the clergy entitled to seats in the Convention, and shall enter in the Journals those who are present. Notice shall then be given to the Lay-deputies to place their certificates on the table. They shall be examined by the Secretary and a committee of two members to be appointed by the President. Any irregular or defective certificate shall be suspended until a quorum shall have appeared. The names of the Lay-deputies duly appointed shall then be called, and those who are present shall be entered on the Journals. The irregular and defective certificates shall then be reported to the Convention, who shall decide on the admission of the deputies named in them.

IV. A constitutional quorum being found to be present, the Pre-

sident shall declare the Convention duly organized.

- V. A Secretary shall then be chosen in the manner prescribed by the canons. He may appoint an assistant, who shall perform all the duties of the office, in the absence of the Secretary.
- VI. The following standing committees shall then be appointed by the President:
  - 1. On the admission into union with this Convention of churches applying for the same, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen.
  - 2. On the diocesan fund, to consist of two clergymen and two laymen, together with the Treasurer of the Convention.
  - 3. On the accounts of the Treasurer, to consist of three laymen.
- VII. A Treasurer of the Convention shall then be appointed by ballot, unless dispensed with by an unanimous vote, when he may be appointed on motion.
- VIII. After the daily morning prayer the order of business, which shall not be departed from without the consent of two thirds of the members present, shall be as follows:

1. The reading, correcting, and approving of the minutes of the preceding day.

2. Calling the names of absent members, and entering in the Journal those who appear.

3. Reports from standing committees in the following order:—

- 1. From the committee on the admission into union with the Convention of this diocese of churches applying for that purpose.
- 2. From the committee on the diocesan fund.
- 3. From the committee on the Treasurer's accounts.
- 4. Reports from the Secretary, and Treasurer, when those officers have any business committed to them, shall them be in order: and then Reports from the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate.

5. Reports from special committees in the order in which they were appointed.

6. Motions, resolutions, and miscellaneous business.

IX. The Bishop's Address shall be in order at any time.

X. Every member who shall be present when a question is stated from the Chair shall vote thereon unless excused by the house.

XI. No motion shall be put or debated until it is seconded; and when seconded it shall be stated by the President before debate, and every motion shall be reduced to writing when required by the President, or any member.

XII. If the question in debate contain several distinct propositions, any member may have the same divided.

XIII. When a question is under debate no motion shall be

received unless to postpone it indefinitely; to postpone it to a certain time; to lay it on the table; to commit it or amend it; and motions for either of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. But a motion to adjourn shall always be in order when no member is speaking, and shall be decided without debate; and if it be negatived, it shall not be renewed until some other business has intervened.

- XIV. A motion to lay on the table shall be decided without debate.
- XV. On a question being put by the President, it shall be determined by the sound of voices for or against it, but any member may require a count of the votes, and tellers for that purpose shall be appointed by the Chair—or any three votes may, previous to a decision by count, require the ayes and noes to be taken, which shall be done by calling the names of the clerical members and the churches represented, and the votes shall be entered in the Journals.
- XVI. Any five votes may require the ayes and noes to be taken by orders, and when so taken, they shall be entered on the minutes.
- XVII. No member may speak more than twice on the same question without leave of the house.
- XVIII. A question being decided shall not be reconsidered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the votes of the Convention, nor without the motion for that purpose being made by one of the majority on the prior decision: nor shall any question be reconsidered more than once.
- XIX. All special committees shall be appointed by the Chair, unless otherwise specially directed by the house, in which case they shall be appointed by ballot.
- XX. The election of the Standing Committee, and of Deputies to the General Convention, and the election of any person to supply a vacancy in the Board of Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, shall be the first business, after the approval of the minutes, on the second day of every annual meeting of the Convention.
- XXI. No standing rule or order shall be suspended, changed, or rescinded without one day's previous notice of a motion to that effect, unless by the votes of two-thirds of the persons present entitled to vote.
- XXII. Before the final adjournment of any session of the Convention, the minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read, corrected, and approved.
- XXIII. Unless otherwise ordered by the Convention, it shall meet at nine o'clock in the morning, take a recess from one to three o'clock in the afternoon, and adjourn for the day at six o'clock P. M.

The Convention then preceded to ballot for a Secretary;—whereupon the Rev. Pierre A. Proal, D. D., having been duly nominated, was elected.

The Secretary announced to the house that he appointed the Rev. C. S. Hawks, his assistant.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Proal,

Resolved, That Clergymen belonging to this diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention;—Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this diocese; and Professors and Students of Theology in the Protestant Episcopal Church, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention. Also,

Resolved, That Clergymen of the Church of England, as by law established, in Great Britain, and its dependencies who may be present, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention.

The Chair then announced the following Standing Committees according to the 6th rule of order:

On the admission into union with this Convention of Churches applying for the same,

The Rev. H. J. Whitehouse, D. D., Messrs. Vincent Matthews, and D. Tillinghast.

## On the Diocesan Fund,

The Rev. Drs. Shelton and Hale, Messrs James Reese and Philip Church.

On the Accounts of the Treasurer,

Messrs. Goo. B. Webster, Wm. C. Pierrepont, and John E. Hinman.

The following Churches applied for admission into union with the Convention, viz:

St. John's Church, Honeoye Falls, Monroe County.

Christ Church, Bridgewater, Oneida County.

The Church of the Ascension, Liverpool, Onendaga County.

Zion's Church, East Bloomfield, Ontario County.

St. John's Church, Clyde, Wayne County.

On motion of the Secretary, the applications were referred to the committee "on the admission of Churches into Union with this Convention."

The Bishop then, in compliance with the Canon, delivered the following

### ADDRESS:

# BRETHERN.—THE CLERICAL AND LAY MEMBERS OF THE CONVENTION:

In obedience to the requisitions of the VIIth Canon of 1835 I proceed to lay before you a full record of my ministerial acts and of matters affecting our Diocese since Providence last permitted us to assemble in council for the interests of this portion of the Catholic Church of Christ.

Immediately after the Convention, on Saturday, the 5th of October, in the city of *Rochester*, I instituted the Rev. Washington Van Zandt into the Rectorship of Grace Church in that city, and preached on the occasion.

Resuming my visitation of the Diocese I proceeded to Brockport, Monroe county, and the next day, Sunday, the 6th, in the morning, in what was formerly the Baptist Church, I admitted the Rev. Tapping R. Chipman, Deacon, to the holy order of Priests, on which occasion I preached and administered the Communion. In the afternoon of the same day I preached again and confirmed nine persons.

On Monday, the 7th, I preached in St. John's Church, Medina, Orleans county, and confirmed eight persons.

Tuesday, the 9th, I spent at Lockport, Niagara county, where, in the morning, I instituted the Rev. Ebenezer H. Cressey, into the Rectorship of Christ Church, and preached the sermon; and in the afternoon I preached again and confirmed five persons.

The next day, the 9th, I preached in the morning at Royalton, in the same county, in the Academy, to the newly organized congregation of St. Luke's Church. In the evening, having returned to Lockport, I preached in Grace Church.

On the 10th, in the morning, I preached again in Grace Church, confirmed eleven persons, and baptized one child.

At Lewiston, in the same county, I preached on the morning of the 11th, and confirmed seven persons in St. Paul's Church.

Sunday, the 19th, I spent in the city of Buffalo. In St. Paul's

Church I preached, confirmed eleven persons, and administered the Holy Communion, in the morning. In the afternoon, I preached for the congregation of Trinity Church, now worshipping in the Universalist Meeting House, which they have hired temporarily, and confirmed thirty-one persons.

At Auroraville, Erie county, I preached on the 14th, to the congregation of St. Paul's Church, in the Baptist Meeting House.

The next day, the 15th, I read prayers, baptized two children, and preached in a private house in Wales, in the same county, which appointment had been substituted for my visit to Sheldon, Genesce county, where, in consequence of deaths and removals, the congregation is almost wholly dispersed.

At Weathersfield, Genesee county, on the 16th, I preached in St. Clement's Church, and confirmed six persons.

On the 17th I preached in St. Paul's Church, Allen's Hill, and confirmed one person.

On Sunday, the 20th, I preached both morning and afternoon in Trinity Church, Geneva; and on Sunday morning, the 27th, preached in the same Church.

On the 29th, I received into this Diocese, by a letter of dismission from the ecclesiastical authority of Maryland, the Rev. David Huntington, who has been appointed the missionary at Fayetteville and Mount Upton, Chenango county, where he had been laboring for several months before the arrival of his letter of dismissal.

On the 30th, I received into this Diocese, by a letter of dismission from the ecclesiastical authority of Rhode Island, the Rev. W. W. Hickox, Deacon, who has been appointed Missionary at Centrefield and East Bloomfield, Ontario county.

Sunday, the 3d of November, I spent in Auburn, Cayuga county, where in St. Peter's Church, then without a Rector, in the morning I preached and admitted Mr. Hobart Williams, a candidate for Orders in this Diocese, to the holy order of Deacons, and administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon I preached again in the same Church. My appointments for services the next day, November 4th, at Cayuga Bridge and Montezuma, in the same county,

were deferred to another time in consequence of its being one of the days of the annual state election.

On Monday, November, 4th I transferred, the Rev. William Walton, Deacon, of this Diocese, by the canonical letter of dismission, to the Diocese of New York, where he had been invited to a pastoral charge.

On the 7th, I visited Vienna, Ontario county, and preached for the congregation of St. John's Church, in the Presbyterian Church, where I confirmed three persons, and baptized one child.

On the evening of the same day, I preached in the Court House at Lyons, Wayne county, to the congregation of Grace Church; the beautiful edifice, erecting by this Church, not being yet completed.

The proposed services at Clyde were postponed to another time; and on the 9th, I preached in St. John's Chnrch, Sodus, in the same county, and confirmed four persons.

On the 9th November, I received into this Diocese the Rev. John D. Gilbert, by the canonical letter of dismission from the Bishop of the Diocese of New York.

At Palmyra, Wayne county, I spent Sunday, the 10th. In the morning I preached, confirmed eight persons, and administered the Holy Communion, and in the afternoon I preached again.

I preached at East Bloomfield, Ontario county, in the Universalist Meeting House, on Monday, the 11th; and on Tuesday, the 12th, I preached in Trinity Church, Centrefield, in the same county, administered the Communion, and confirmed two persons.

On the 18th, I gave a letter of dismission to the Rev. Seth W. Beardsley, transferring him to the Diocese of New York.

On Sunday afternoon, the 17th, I preached in Trinity Church, Geneva, as I did also on Sunday morning, December 1st, and administered the Holy Communion. Again, on Sunday, December 15th, and Sunday, December 22d, I preached in the same church, both morning and afternoon.

On the 18th December, I met the Standing Committee as a Board for Missions and other Church objects, who were convened

of the Diocese of New York, acting in concert with a Committee of the Board of the Education and Missionary Society of that Diocese, relative to dissevering the joint action of the two Dioceses in regard to Missions. All the members of the Standing Committee were present, but the venerable member residing in Rochester, who was detained from the meeting by sickness. The action of the Committee has resulted in a harmonious settlement of the whole subject. A full report in relation to it will be submitted to the Convention by the Standing Committee.

I spent the Festival of the Nativity at Canandaigua, where on that occasion I preached and administered the Communion.

Sunday, 5th January, 1840, I spent at Penn Yan, Yates county, where I preached in St. Mark's Church, three times; in the morning administering the Communion, and in the afternoon confirming two persons.

On Sunday, 12th, P. M., I preached at Trinity Church, Geneva...

Having received a communication from the Bishop of the Diocese of New York, conveying information of a sad deficiency in the Education and Missionary funds by which the Missionaries and beneficiaries of the two Dioceses are sustained, together with sundry resolutions of the Board of the Education and Missionary Society, soliciting aid, I deemed it my duty to address a letter to the Clergy of this Diocese, suggesting a simultaneous effort to meet the exigency by making a collection for these objects on the 15th of December; and it affords me most cordial pleasure to record the readiness and liberality with which the appeal was met. Contributions were received from most of the Churches, and the whole sum realized from that effort amounted to about \$750, of which \$300 were forwarded in time to meet the January payments, and to make up the deficiency of the preceding year.

On the 17th of January, I received from the Rt. Rev. Henry U. Onderdonk, D. D. Provisional Bishop of the Diocese of Delaware, a notice of the canonical degradation from the Priesthood, on the 9th inst., of Archibald T. McCallum.

On Sunday, the 19th, I visited the Missionary station composed of Cayuga Bridge and Montexuma, Cayuga county. At the former

place, I preached: in the Academy in the morning; and at the latter, in the afternoon of the same day, I preached, and confirmed two persons.

Sunday, the 26th, I spent at Seneca Fulls. Seneca county, where in Trinity Church I preached both morning and afternoon. In the afternoon I confirmed seven persons.

I visited Lyons, Wayne county, on Sunday, February 2d, where I preached, confirmed ten persons, and administered the Holy Communion in the morning, and preached again in the evening. The services were held in the Court House.

On Sunday afternoon, Feb. 9th, I preached in Trinity Church, Geneva.

On Sunday, the 16th, I visited Zion Church, Palmyra, Wayne county. I officiated by preaching in the morning, and by baptizing an adult oreaching, and confirming three persons in the afternoon.

On the 18th, I gave Mr. Charles D. Cooper, a candidate for Orders, a letter of dismission to the Diocese of New York.

Sunday, 23d, I preached in the morning in Trinity Church, Geneva.

Sunday, March 1st, I preached both in the morning and afternoon at Waterloo, Seneca county, and in the afternoon baptized one child.

On Ash-Wednesday, March 4th, I preached in Trimity church, Geneva.

I visited Vienna, Ontario co., on Saturday, the 7th, and preached in the evening of that day in the Presbyterian house of worship. The next Sunday, the 8th, I preached again in the same place, and in the afternoon I preached in the Methodist house. A meeting of the friends of the Church was called together, and immediate efforts commenced to erect a church edifice, by obtaining a lot and raising a subscription for the purpose.

On Sunday, 15th, I preached and confirmed seventeen persons in Trinity church, Geneva, in the morning, and preached again in the afternoon.

In the same church, on the 18th, I held an ordination, when I admitted the Rev. Samuel Cook, Deacon, to the holy order of Priests, and administered the Holy Communion.

On Sanday, the 22d, I visited St. Peter's Church, Auburn, in which, in the morning, I preached, confirmed twenty-seven persons, and ad-

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led not only to the suspension of the services of the Church, but almost to an alienation of the building, it is hoped are now about to take such a shape as will allow the re-establishment of permanent services there, by a missionary of our Church.

I preached in the afternoon of the same day in the Methodist house at Corning, Steuben county, which, as being the point of junction of the Blossburg rail-road with the feeder of the Chemung canal, promises to be at an early day a flourishing village, and where I am anxious that immediate measures should be taken for the establishment of a Church.

I preached in St. Thomas' Church, Bath, Steuben county, on the 9th, and confirmed seven persons; and at Hammondsport on the 10th, both morning and afternoon, I preached, and confirmed five persons, one in private, who was too old and infirm to attend the Church.

On the following day, the 11th, I preached in the afternoon in St. Mark's Church, Penn Yan, Yates county, and united in the hely bands of matrimony, the Rev. Edmund Embury and Agnes O. Oliver.

On Sunday, the 14th, I officiated both morning and afternoon in Trinity Church, Geneva.

On the 16th, I received Messrs. Benjamin M. Whicher, Mason Gallagher, and Charles E. Van Auden, as candidates for orders.

On Sunday, 21st, I preached both morning and afternoon in Trinity Church, New Rochelle.

On Tuesday; 23d, in Christ Church, Greenwich, Connecticut, acting on behalf and at the request of the Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut, I ordained the Rev. Benjamin M. Yarington, Deacon, to the holy order of Priests, and Mr. John Purves to the holy order of Deacons, and administered the Holy Communion on the occasion.

On the 24th, I received the Rev. Phinehas L. Whipple into the Diocese, on a letter of dismission from the Diocese of New York.—Mr. Whipple has become the minister of St. Thomas' Church, Bath, Steuben county, the services of the Rev. William W. Bostwick being now appropriated to Hammondsport and Wayne, in the same county, as a missionary.

On Sunday, 28th, I preached both morning and afternoon in Trinity Church, Utica.

During this month I attended the meetings of the Board of Missions and of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, and the commencement of the latter institution. Both institutions continue to enjoyithe confidence and patronage of the Church.

On Sunday, July 5th, I preached in the morning in Trinity Church, Geneva.

On the 8th, I visited New York city, where, by request, and with permission of the proper ecclesiastical and parechial authority, I united in the holy bands of matrimony, Mr. Henry Munro, and Miss Ann Margaret Bayley. I name these acts in order that there may be some public official record of them. It is my wish to leave such duties as are strictly parochial to the parochial clergy. As, however, I am frequently required to administer the holy rite of baptism in places where no church is organized, and and where of course no church register is kept, it would seem proper that measures should be taken to authorize the recording of such acts in the official register of some church, where it would be known that my acts are rega ·istered. The parish register of Trinity Church, Geneva, might be selected. An act of the Legislature would be necessary to render the record one of legal authority. I would suggest that the subject be referred to a committee. A similar course has been taken in the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

On Sunday, the 12th, I commenced my second regular visitation of the Diocese, by officiating at St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, Oneida county. I preached twice, confirming in the afternoon fifteen persons.

On the 13th, I preached, confirmed seven persons, and administered the Hely Communion in St. Paul's Church, Paris Hill, Oneida county.

At Bridgeoster, in the same county, in the newly organized Parish of Christ Church, on the 14th, I baptized one child, confirmed six persons, and administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon of the same day, I preached at Waterville, in the Baptist house of worship.

On the 15th, I preached in the morning in the Presbyterian House at *Hamilton*, for the congregation of St. Thomas Church, in that village.

I spent the 16th at Sherburne, Chenango county, where I officiated twice; in the morning baptizing, on request of the minister, two adults and three infants, and preaching; and in the afternoon, baptizing one adult, preaching, and confirming siz persons.

On the 17th, I preached in Emmanuel Church, Narwich, and administered the Holy Communion.

On the 18th, I preached in St. Paul's Church, Oxford, in the same county, and confirmed six persons. Whilst in this place, I was made acquainted with the fact that the late Gerrit H. Van Waganen, had by his last will and testament, devised a lot of land in Saratoga county, in this State, to the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of St. George's Church, in the city of New York, in trust, to be sold and the proceeds to be appropriated to the support of a Missionary in the county of Chenango, which is within this Diocese, under certain restrictions. I have addressed a letter to the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of St. George's, requesting information on the subject, but as yet have received no answer.

Sunday, 19th, I spent at *Greene*, in the same county, and in Zion Church preached twice, confirming in the afternoon five persons.

On the 20th, in the Presbyterian House at Coventry, in the same county, I preached and confirmed four persons.

On the 21st, in the Presbyterian House at Chenango Forks, in the same county, I preached and confirmed two persons.

At Christ Church, Binghamton, Broome county, on the 22d, I preached and confirmed seven persons.

In the Methodist House at Windsor, Broome county, on the 23d, I baptized one adult and four children; and also preached.

I visited St. Luke's Church, Harpersville, Broome county, on the the 24th, preached, and confirmed three persons; and in the afternoon of the same day, I preached in the Meeting House at South Bainbridge.

On the 25th, I visited St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge, Chenange county, where I preached and confirmed seventeen persons.

Sunday, 26th, I preached in the morning at Christ Church, Fayetteville, and in the afternoon at Grace Church, Mount Upton.

I visited St. Andrew's Church, New Berlin, Chenango county, on the 27th, in which Church I preached twice. In the morning I baptized one adult, and confirmed two persons.

On Friday, 31st, I preached in Christ Church, Cooperstown, in the Diocese of New York.

Sunday, August 2d, I spent in *Utica*, where I officiated in Grace Church: in the morning, preaching and administering the Holy Communion; and in the afternoon, preaching and confirming twelve in the Church, and two in private.

On the 5th, I attended the commencement of Geneva College, and was no less gratified by the exercises, than by the extended interest which that important institution is acquiring in the affection and support of the community, and especially of the Church. About thirty Episcopal Clergymen were present on the occasion.

I carnestly recommend the College to the Clergy for their cooperation in extending its influence and promoting its efficiency. All
it now needs is the united and vigorous support of the Churchmen in
the Diocese, to put it on the most elevated platform of usefulness.—
Let the minds of the young men of the Diocese be directed to it by
both Clergy and Laity.

On the 5th, I received into this Diocese, by a letter of dismission from the Bishop of the Eastern Diocese, the Rev. Wm. Croswell, in whose settlement at St. Peter's Church, Auburn, both that important Parish and the Diocese at large, as well as myself, have reason to rejoice. The Rev. C. W. Hackley officiated in this Church for several months, but in consequence of not presenting his letter of dismission, did not acquire a canonical connection with the Diocese.

On the same day, I received into the Diocese again from the Diocese of New York, Mr. Charles D. Cooper, a candidate for Orders.

On the 6th, I received into this Diocese by letters from the Bishop of New York, the Rev. Isaac Swart, now officiating in St. Paul's Church, Owego, Tioga county, the Rev. Henry Lockwood, and the Rev. Fortune C. Brown, Deacon, the latter of whom has been appointed Missionary at Hamilton and Waterville, Oneida county.

On the 7th, I received canonical notice from the Bishop of New Jersey, of the displacement of the Rev. John Pardue, Deacon, from the Ministry for causes not affecting his moral character.

I spent Sunday, the 9th, at Clyde, Wayne county, at which place I preached twice, and baptized nine children. The Episcopalians of this town were ready for organization, and were anxiously awaiting the arrival of a Missionary to fold an interesting flock. The Rev. Benjamin W. Stone has been appointed to the station.

August 11th, in Trinity Church, Geneva, I united in the holy bands of wedlock, the Rev. Henry Lockwood and Miss Cathalina Lansing Dox.

On Sunday, 16th, I preached twice in Trinity Church, Geneva, Ontario county, confirming in the morning ten persons, this being the second confirmation held in this parish during the present year.

I preached, Aug. 22, in the Academy, at Liverpool, a growing town on the bank of the Onondaga lake, where an opening for the Church has been made, in conjunction with Salina, where also I preached in the Presbyterian House in the afternoon of the same day. These two places constitute a missionary station.

On Sunday, the 23d, I ordained the Rev. J. B. Gallagher, deacon, to the order of Priests in St. Paul's Church, Syracuse; on which occasion I preached and administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon I preached again and confirmed twelve persons.

On Monday morning, 24th, I preached in the Presbyterian house at Baldwinsville, Onondaga county, and in the afternoon at Calvary Church, Nut Hill, Oswego county. At the former place, acting on request and in behalf of the minister, I united in holy matrimony George A. Stansbury and Evelina M. Goodell.

In the afternoon of the same day, I preached in Zion Church, Fulton, in the same county, where I confirmed four persons.

I spent the 26th at Oswego, and preached twice in Christ Church, in that village, confirming in the morning twenty persons.

In Christ Church, Sackett's Harbor, Jefferson county, on the 28th. I baptized one child, preached, and confirmed one person.

In Zion Church, Pierrepont Maner, on the 29th, I baptized one child, and confirmed seven persons.

In Trinity Church, Watertown, I preached on the morning of the 30th, and confirmed eleven persons.

In the afternoon of the same day, I preached in St. Paul's Church, Brownville, and confirmed two persons.

On Monday, the 31st, I consecrated All Saint's Church, in the thriving village of *Dexter*, to the worship of Almighty God, and preached on the occasion.

I visited Cape Vincent, in this county, where I preached in the Presbyterian House, on the evening of the 1st September, and baptized two children and two adults; and the next day, in the morning, I preached, confirmed eleven persons, and administered the Holy Communion. At least twenty-five communicants of our church are now to be found in and about the village. The place has been joined to Sackett's Harbor as a part of that missionary station.

On the 3d of September, I preached in the Methodist house at Lowelle, Lewis county.

On the 4th, I preached and administered the Communion in St. Paul's church, Turin, and in the afternoon of the same day, I preached and confirmed two persons in St. Paul's Chapel, Constableville, in the same county.

I visited Zion Church, Rome, Oneida county, on Sunday, the 6th, where in the morning I preached, confirmed four persons, and administered the Holy Communion; and in the afternoon baptized three infants and preached.

I held services at Trinity Church, Constantia, on the 7th, preached, and confirmed six persons.

On the 9th, I gave my written consent to the consecration of the Rev. William R. Whitingham, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Md., who on the 17th of the same month was duly consecrated to that holy office by the Rt. Rev. Alexander V. Griswold, D. D., Presiding Bishop; assisted by the Rt. Rev. Richard C. Moore, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia, the Rt. Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk,

D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of New York, and the Rt. Rev. George W. Doane, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of New Jersey.

On the 15th, I erased the name of Mr. Allen B. Myers from the list of candidates for orders, at his request.

On Sunday, the 20th, I read prayers and preached both morning and afternoon, in Trinity church, Geneva.

On the 26th, I received into this Diocese, the Rev. George D. Gillespie, Deacon, from the Diocese of New York. Mr. Gillespie has been appointed missionary at Liverpool and Salina.

On Sunday morning, the 27th, in Trinity church, Centrefield, Ontario county, I admitted the Rev. William W. Hickox, Deacon, to the holy order of Priests, on which occasion I preached and administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon of the same day, I preached and confirmed thirteen persons, in the Universalist house at East Bloomfield, where a new congregation has been organized, who, with some slight aid from the friends of the Church elsewhere, will, I trust, be able to purchase the building in which the services were held.

The next day, I officiated in the Methodist house at Honeoye Falls, Monroe county, where I preached and confirmed six persons. Here also a new. Church has been organized, and the erection of a handsome stone building commenced. In the afternoon of the same day, I preached in the Presbyterian house at Scottsville, in the same county.

These services terminated my labors for the conventional year.

My reception every where has been of the most affectionate and delightful kind, and my ministrations have been cordially welcomed in all parts of the Diocese by large and attentive congregations.—With heartfelt thankfulness we may acknowledge that the Church in this Diocese is as a city that is at unity in itself. The clergy connected with Parishes, are as a body faithfully and zealously striving, according to their different gifts, to advance the cause of Christ and his Church in their respective cures. Four clergymen are prevented by age or debility from engaging in parochial duties;—four are engaged in literary pursuits more or less connected with the advancement of religion and the Church;—two are engaged in pri-

vate schools;—and all the rest, amounting to 82, including a few who have not yet been canonically transferred, are either in the actual discharge of parochial or missionary duties, or seeking to be so I am not aware of any causes existing amongst us to distract or alienate the mutual attachment and confidence of the clergy of the Diocese, or to cause distrust or excitement among the laity. Blessed be the Prince of peace for the inestimable gift. peace is within our walls; and the steady and uniform maintenance of the Church on her distinctive grounds, separate from all exciting topics and distracting action, ecclesiastical or civil, as the kingdom of Christ, a divine institution, holy in its character and objects, claiming our love and deference as the spiritual kindgom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and to be cherished as his spouse and body, continues to present her to the awakened attention of her own members, and to the chastened and sober minded piety and judgment of many others, as a city of refuge from the tumultuous and jarring sentiments and action of religious bodies around her. Let us seek to be faithful, my brethren of the clergy and laity, to her Divine Lord and Head, by cherishing a spirit of piety, and prayer, and of devotedness to the Church of Christ, studying her character, devoting our energies to her cause, opening our treasures to her support, feeling and acting as if the Hill of Zion is indeed a fair place and destined to be the joy of the whole earth.

The following is a summary of my duties for the year ending this day:

I have officiated in 72 organized Parishes, and in 20 places where the Church is not organized, (in 10 of these parishes I have officiated twice, and in a few oftener,) in all, in 92 places.

Baptized 29 infants and 12 adults—total 41.

Married 4 couple.

Attended 1 funeral.

Ordained 2 deacons and 5 priests.

Admitted 4 new candidates for orders.

Received 1 from another Diocese.

Consecrated 2 Churches.

Instituted 2 Rectors.

Received 9 Clergymen into the Diocese.

Transferred 4 Clergymen to other Dioceses.

Administered the Holy Communion 26 times.

Preached 162 times, (153 times in the Diocese and 9 elsewhere.)
Confirmed 441 persons.

Travelled in performing my various duties, 4100 miles.

Aside from the preceding record, the following changes have occurred in the Diocese:

The Rev. William Allanson has resigned the charge of the Mission at Medina, Orleans county, and entered the service of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and the Rev. Stephen Douglass, Deacon, has been invited to succeed him in that station.

The Rev. Amos G. Baldwin has relinquished the charge of the Mission at Montezuma and Cayuga Bridge, Cayuga county.

The Rev. John Bayley, the Missionary at Owego, Tioga county, has been compelled by ill health to visit England, and the Rev. Isaac Swart, is supplying his place during his absence.

The Rev. Clement M. Butler has resigned the Rectorship of Zion Church, Palmyra.

The Rev. Nathaniel F. Bruce, M. D., has been since October last laboring as a Missionary at Honeoye Falls, Penfield, and Scottswille, a new Missionary station in Monroe county.

The Rev. Nathaniel Huse, has resigned the Rectorship of St. Peter's Church, Westfield, Chautauque county.

The Rev. T. M. Leavenworth, has ceased to be the Missionary at West Avon, Livingston county, and has been succeeded in that station by the Rev. J. Rosevelt Bayley, Deacon.

The Rev. James Keeler has relinquished the charge of the Mission at Harpersville.

The Rev. Thomas Morris is now the Missionary at Ellicottville and parts adjacent; Olean, in the same county, having been disjoined from Ellicottville, and made a separate station.

The Rev. Beardsley Northrop, has since November last been the Missionary at Moravia, Cayuga county, to which has since been added Aurora, in the same county.

The Rev. George Ogle, Deacon, has become the minister of St. Paul's Church, Black Rock, Erie county.

The Rev. George S. Porter has resigned the Mission at South Danby and Candor, and become the Missionary at the new station of Niagara Falls and Tonawanda, Niagara county.

The Rev. Ferdinand Rogers, has been appointed Missionary at Dexter, Jefferson county, in conjunction with his charge of the Church at Brownville, officiating once a day in each place.

The Rev. Thomas Meachem has taken charge of the Church at Weathersfield Springs, in connection with his Mission at Allen's Hill, Ontario county.

The Rev. A. C. Treadway, has resigned his connection with the mission at Sackett's Harbor, Jefferson county.

The Rev. Benjamin W. Stone, Deacon, has been appointed Missionary at Clyde, Wayne county, a new station.

The Rev. George D. Gillespie, Deacon, having been transferred to this Diocese from New York, has been appointed Missionary at Liverpool and Salina, Onondaga county, a new station.

The Rev. Nathan B. Burgess, has ceased to be the Missionary at Rome, Oneida county.

The Rev. Johnson A. Brayton has ceased to be the Missionary at Hamilton, Madison county, and has been transferred to the Diocese of New York.

The Rev. Lucius Carter, has resigned his Mission at Hunt's Hollow and Portage Falls, and accepted the charge of the station at Candor, Tiega county, and Danby, Tompkins county.

The Rev. Stephen Douglass, Deacon, has been received into this Diocese, and been appointed the Missionary at Medina and Royalton.

The Rev. Marcus A. Perry, has taken charge of a private school in Utica, Oneida county.

The number of candidates for Orders in the Diocese, is seven, viz:

Edward Bourns, admi	dMarch,	1838,	
Charles D. Cooper,	66		1838,
M. A. Nickerson,	66		1838,
Ed'wd D. Kennicot,	66	Oct.,	1839,
Mason Gallagher,	u	June,	1840,
Benj'n W. Whicher,	"	June,	1840,
Chas. E. Van Anden,	46		1840.

The number of beneficiaries belonging to this Diocese, pursuing a preparatory or a Theological Education, is eight.

The number of Missionaries that have been employed for a longer or shorter period during the year, is 46.

The number of missionaries now actually engaged in this diocese is 38, and the number of stations is 49. These stations comprehend 54 organized churches, and twenty-one places. where the Church is not yet organized, and require the services of fifty clergymen. The vacant stations will probably, the most of them, be soon filled. From this statement it will be perceived at once how imposing is the obligation which rests upon the Church to sustain such an establishment. We have the largest Diocesan missionary establishment in the Church in the United States. No missionary effort in any Diocese, except the neighboring one of New York, can be compared to it in regard either to number or prospects. Every county in the Diocese furnishes missionary ground, and will be likely to furnish new stations for years to come. In urging the concentration of our efforts upon the support of the missions of the Diocese as a primary duty, I feel that I am far from acting on the narrow principle which is sometimes ascribed to such as place Diocesan missions paramount. It is a broad and comprehensive principle of duty—the duty of following the leadings of Providence in selecting the appropriate sphere of exertion—which does govern, and, I humbly think, should govern a decision on this point. In the view which I have been enabled to take of the condition and prospects of the Church in this Diocese, I am more deeply impressed than ever by the paramount claim of our Diocesan missions. Under God, they constitute the sheet anchor of the Church amongst us. The time may come, I pray God it may come soon, when ample means and well stored laborers may go forth from this part of the vineyard, togladden other portions of our country and of the world with that wisdom which is better than rubies; but at present we can do little beyond offering our most cordial prayers, that God may guide appointed laborers to the vast fields of ignorance and delusion, which in our own country and abroad, make the Christian heart to mourn. No one can deny that the field immediately around us is "white unto the harvest." And the simple question with us is, shall we continue to reap it with faithful and self-denying diligence; or shall we

leave it to perish where it grows. It would argue little of the expansive charity of the Gospel of Christ, to shut out from our commisseration or our prayers, the wants and woes of the spiritually destitute wherever they may be found; yet it would argue less of the wisdom of the serpent, to abandon fields of ascertained usefulness and of most pressing claims, where can be seen almost upraised before our eyes the very finger of Providence pointing us to the sphere of duty; that we may expend our energies, and our means upon regions, where, dark as is the cloud of ignorance and idolatry, hanging over them, yet no glimmering of such a direct providential guidance can be ascertained indicating the path of duty. It is not then to bar up the soul to the deep moral woes of other lands, to lessen your abhorrence of idolatry, to induce you to regard that gloomy empire of superstition, delusion, error, crime, and opposition to God, which the Prince of darkness has erected among distant nations of the earth, and which bears such terrific sway over some of the loveliest portions of the globe, with one iota less of pity for the deluded worshipper, or of detestation of his sin, or of heartfelt solicitude for his recovery, and conversion to the one true God and his Son Jesus Christ, that I urge these views. Nor is it to be supposed that they feel not for the destitution of heathen lands who yet discern no call of duty to alienate their labors and means from the fields which God has opened immediately around them. Still less truly can it be inferred that the power of the Gospel has penetrated less deeply into their hearts because they prefer the quiet, unobtrusive but laborious mission at home, to the more exciting, and conspicuous and perilous engagements abroad. No, the love of the Saviour, and of souls burns as truly,—and I doubt not the day of judgment will prove it so,—and the prayer of faith goes up as fervently, and as steadily, for a perishing world among Christian pastors and people in the retired villages of the country, where God in his providence has called them to sustain his Church, as in the case of those who, misjudging the motive, and questioning the fact, are loud in propounding zeal for distant labors as a test of piety and devotedness to God, and secretly or openly regard and proclaim the diocesan and domestic missionary as animated by a feebler zeal or a less devoted piety than the foreign laborer. The true test of a missionary spirit is not whether the clergyman is willing to go abroad, or go to this spot, or that, which himself shall .

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select; but whether he is willing to labor wherever God in his providence shall call him.

I make these remarks, my Brethren, because some are accustomed to think and speak as if no labors for Christ were entitled to the name of missionary labors, unless they are on a portion of the field exterior to the Diocese, or the country. In this way the privations and sacrifices of our missionaries are underrated; and it is due to the men whose services God has so signally blessed, and who in selecting their spheres of duty amongst us may claim to be following the leadings of Providence as much as others, that the missionary character of our Diocese should be distinctly asserted. In missionary labers the Church in this section of the State began: by such labors has it been gathered and moulded into its present shape; in the path of such labors will long lie its duty and its interests. For such labors it has now buckled on the armor and braced itself for the work of self-support. In such labors may it ever be engaged, carrying spiritual light to the ignorant and bread to the destitute, within its own limits, or to our ewn distant territory, or to foreign lands, as Christ by his providence shall dictate, until at length, the whole of Christ's dispersed sheep shall be gathered into one fold, and the kingdom of sin, satan, and death, be wholly overthrown.

It is gratifying to be able to state that increased attention has been excited in several parishes to the important measure of providing parsonages for the residence of the clergy. About 15 of the churches are already known to be thus provided; and several others have engaged directly or indirectly in the work of making such provision.

Among the subjects which occupy the reflections and often stir the deepest feelings in the bosom of him who is over you in the Lord, is the atter want of any provision by the Church for her aged, infirm, or superannuated Clergy, who having borne the heat and burden of the day, are often, as age or debility comes upon them, cut off not only from the sphere of usefulness but even from the very means of subsistence. Christian liberality has provided no retreats for this class of persons. La Comfortable asylums open their doors to the disabled soldier and sailor of the state, or the cheering pension arrays itself against the inroad of grinding poverty. But for the sol-

dier of the Cross, worn out in the service of the Church, or bowed down by disease arresting him sometimes in the midst of usefulness, nothing is provided. How long shall this reproach continue? May God put it into the heart of some one to devise the plan, or to furnish the means for making this much needed provision in the Church at large, for the venerable brethren whom younger and more active men are crowding from the field of labor?

Such a suggestion and such an effort, will originate in our youthful Diocese with extreme propriety. The state of things amongst us, is such that the call and the need are for vigorous, active men. This is, in general, the class of men that occupy the soil and wield And by such a class of lathe destinies of this section of the State. borers is the spiritual harvest also to be reaped. Let not, then, the youthful recruit forget the veteran, and aged soldiers of the cross. Let not the strong and vigorous disregard the wants of those whom time, or Providence, or toil, has disabled from the service of the Church. While our parishes too are calling so loudly for youthful piety and zeal, let them not put aside from regarding the few aged laborers amongst us; but stand ready in this way to soften the asperities of poverty, to cheer up the desponding mind, to smooth the downward path, for the men who once trod the stage of action, and exerted, under God, as useful an influence in the service of religion and the Church, as the most vigorous and sturdy among ourselves. Surrounded as the subject is with difficulties, yet I venture to suggest a plan which as a mere embryo enterprise, may serve a temporary purpose amongst ourselves, until more extensive and more effectual measures shall be taken by the Church at large.

Let each Clergymen in the Diocese engage to raise in his parish by voluntary contribution of individuals, annually, the sum of at least five dollars. Where there is no Clergymen in a Parish, let the Wardens attend to raising that sum. The amount to be forwarded annually, at Christmas, to a Treasurer appointed by the Convention. The sum thus raised to constitute "The Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen," which shall be appropriated by a Committee of Laymen appointed by the Convention, of which the Treasurer shall be one, to such disabled Clergymen of the Diocese who have labored within its limits, as shall present the Bishop's certificate of disability

and past service in the Diocese; and in such proportion that for the present no Clergymen shall receive more than \$200 per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of January and Jely. Into the hands of such a Committee, the hundred Parishes of the Diocese would, I have no doubt, if the effort be faithfully made, place the sum of four or five hundred dollars on the coming Festival of the Nativity; and a celebration of Christmas, more becoming in itself, and more in consonance with the spirit of Him who was born into the world to atone for its sin and assuage its woes, cannot well be imagined.

In submitting the suggestion to be modified and matured by the Convention, I refrain from any statement of reasons to enforce it. Your own hearts will be more eloquent advocates than any tongue or pen of man.

I beg to congratulate the Convention on the working of our Diocesan plan of contributions for Church objects. In conformity to the resolution of the Convention, I addressed a pastoral letter to the Clergy and Churches of the Diocese, in December last, explanatory of the proposed application of the plan, and urging its adoption. During a year of almost unexampled scarcity in the circulating medium of the country, and of wide complaints of pressure, the Diocese has yet under the operation of this simple system, collected for Diocesan Missions more than four times the amount raised during the preceding year. With the return of confidence will doubtless come augmented beneficence in this department. It is peculiarly satisfactory to find so little objection made to the system, and that it commends itself so strongly to the good sense and Christian judgment and feelings of the whole Diocese.

The number of Churches and Congregations that have made the collections, is 79.

The number of Churches reported as having wholly omitted to make any contribution, is 24. In most of these cases, it has been owing more to the want of an officiating Clergyman to introduce it than to designed inattention to the exactions of the Convention. In some of them the collections have been made, but not forwarded to the Treasurer in time to be inserted in his report. Every new system requires time for complete adaptation to the circumstances of

the community in which it is brought to bear, and I have no doubt the second year will witness a universal adoption, and still more liberal support of this plan of Church benevolence.

The whole sum received during the year is \$4130.

Including the churches that have not made any collections, and calling the whole number one hundred, the average contributions of each Church for the year will be about \$41.30

Including the churches only that have made the contributions, the annual average for each will be about \$52 25.

The Treasurer's report, with that of the Standing Committee will present the further details on this subject.

I may well invoke you all to thank God and take courage from this statement, and commend the plan to permanent adoption by the Convention, and to more urgent and zealeus prosecution by both clergy and laity, as the best means of supplying a needy Diocese with the means of carrying on the great enterprises of the Church obligatory upon us all.

Measures have been taken to distribute the Bibles, Prayer Books, and Tracts, placed so generously at the disposal of the Bishop of the Diocese by the societies in New York and Philadelphia. Deposits of Prayer Books having been made at Batavia, Buffalo, Geneva, Rochester, and Utica.

Having had an opportunity of visiting all portions of the Diocese, and of thus forming a judgment of the best location for convenience in the discharge of my duties, and for intercourse with the various parts of the Diocese, and having ascertained the general sentiment in regard to the point, I find that my own judgment concurs with the predominant opinion in the Diocese in favor of fixing my permanent residence at Geneva, Ontario county, as a position combining, in its centrality, accessibility, and power of reaching and influencing the Church mind through the College there situated, more advantages than any other of the many beautiful and attractive cities and villages with which the Diocese abounds. The cordiality with which my residence would have been welcomed in every place, and the unobtrusive deference which has left me to an unfettered exer-

cise of my own judgment and sense of duty in the selection, have been peculiarly grateful to my feelings. I shall continue to reside there, unless prevented from so doing by the difficulty of renting a suitable house for the accommodation of my family.

And now, Brethren, with thankful hearts that God has spared us to meet again to counsel for his holy Church, let us engage in the appropriate duties of the Convention, under deep feelings of our responsibility to Christ our Master for all we say and do,—with full knowledge that the eye of a sinister and gainsaying world is especially turned upon ecclesiastical meetings in this day,—with affectionate and forbearing feelings for one another,—and, above all, with earnest prayers that God would vouchsafe the grace and guidance of that Holy Spirit, who presided in the councils of the blessed Apestles and Evangelists, and without whom nothing is strong, and nothing holy.

WILLIAM H. DE LANCHY.

On metion of the Rev. Mr. McHugh,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to providing a fund for the support of disabled Clergymen, be referred to a committee of two Clergymen and three Laymen, to report on the subject during the present Convention.

The chair appointed the Rev. Messrs. McHugh and L. Smith, and Messrs. W. C. Pierrepont, R. B. Miller, and H. Rochester.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Proal,

Resolved, That a Committee of two Clergymen and one Layman be appointed to examine and report at the next meeting of the Convention the number of Trustees of the Theological Seminary to which this Diocese is entitled.

The chair appointed the Rev. Drs. Rudd and Proal and Mr. J. E. Hinman.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Bostwick, the Convention then proceeded to the appointment of a Treasurer. A vote by ballot was, on motion, unanimously dispensed with, when Wm. S. Philpot, Esq. was nominated and appointed.

The Committee appointed to collect documents relative to the division of the Diocese of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York, having been called upon for their report, the Chairman reported verbally:

When on motion of the Rev. Mr. Bostwick,

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The Committee on the admission of Churches into union with the Convention presented the following

#### REPORT:

The Committee on the admission of Churches into union with the Convention have; had before them five applications, viz:

- 1. Christ Church, Bridgewater, Oneida County.
- 2. St. John's Church, Clyde, Wayne County.
- 3. St. John's Church, Honeoye Falls, Monroe County.
- 4. Zion Church, East Bloomfield, Ontario County.
- 5. The Church of the Ascension, Liverpool, Onondaga County. and they find there in all particulars correct.

Your Committee beg leave to suggest the importance of Churches retaining carefally in their own possession the original certificate of incorporation; either presenting to the Convention aduly certified copy, or immediately recovering the original, if it be presented, as by a decision of the Supreme Court in the State of New York, a copy from the Clerk's office has been declared not legal evidence of the existence of a religious corporation.

Your Committee submit the following:-

RESOLVED, That Christ Church, village of Bridgewater, Oneida County; St. John's Church, Clyde, Wayne county; St. John's Church, Honeoye Falls, Monroe county; Zion Church, East Bloomfield, Ontario county, and the Church of the Ascension, Liverpool, Onondaga county, be admitted into union with this Convention.

H. J. Whitehouse, Vincent Matthews, Dyen Tillinghast.

The question being taken upon the resolution attached to the report, it was on motion adopted, and the Churches reported by the Committee to be regularly incorporated, were received into union with the Convention.

Whereupon the following named Lay Deputy, presented the certificate of his appointment and took his seat:—

COUNTY. CHURCH. LAY-DEPUTY. Ontario..... Zion, East Bloomfield. F. N. Toby.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. McCarty,

Resolved, That the Convention do now proceed to the consideration of the Amendments to the Constitution, proposed, considered and approved, at the last annual meeting of the Convention, as recorded on page 63 of its proceedings.

Whereupon, the question having been taken upon each amendment, and being approved by a majority of the two orders voting thereon separately, the amendments were severally adopted; and the Constitution, as amended, ordered to be printed as The Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Western New York.

The Rev. Mr. McCarty then introduced in writing, the following, to be added to the Constitution as Article IX., which on motion was laid on the table.

No alteration in or additions to the Canons shall be made during the session of the Convention in which the same shall be proposed, unless two thirds of both orders shall concur therein; and the said alterations or additions, if approved, by a majority of the Convention shall lay over for the consideration and the final action of the next Annual Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Metcalf then proposed the following as a substitute for Article III of the Constitution: which on motion was ordered to be printed for the use of the Convention:

The Convention shall be composed of the Bishop of the Diocese, and of the assistant Bishop of the same where there is one; all Clergymen canonically connected with this Diocese, who are Ministers or assistant Ministers of parishes in union with this Diocese; all Clergymen canonically connected with this Diocese, and employed therein and under its authority as Missionaries; all Clergymen canonically connected with this Diocese, and engaged as Professors or Instructors of youth in any College, Academy or other Seminary of learning duly incorporated; all Clergymen canonically connected with this Diocese, who have held cures therein, but who are disabled by age or infirmity from the discharge of the duties of parochial Clergymen; and of lay members consisting of one or more deputies not exceeding three from each Church, in Union with this Diocese, to be chosen by the Vestry or Congregation thereof.

The Convention then adjourned to nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

# FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 2, NINE O'CLOCK.

The Convention met. Morning prayers were read by the Rev. Lewis Thibou, Jr., assisted by the Rev. A. C. Patterson, who read the lessons; after which the Bishop took the Chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

At the calling of the roll the following Clergymen, not present yesterday, answered to their names, viz: Rev. Charles G. Acly, George S. Porter.

Also, the following Lay-deputies appeared and took their seats:

CHURCHES. DEPUTIES.
Chautauque ..... St. Peter's, Forestville... William Colville, Jr.
St. Peter's, Westfield ... Jonathan Cass.
Alpheus Baldwin.
Erie ...... Grace, Black Rock .... James Germain.

It was then, on motion, unanimously

Resolved, That the 20th rule of Order be suspended, and that the elections thereby directed to be held, be made the order of the day for 3 o'clock this afternoon.

The Chair having announced that he had received communications from some of the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, it was on motion of Mr. R. B. Miller,

Resolved, That the communications received from the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate together with their annual reports, made to the present and last Conventions, be referred to a committee of three Laymen and two Clergymen.

The Chair appointed Messrs. R. B. Miller, G. B. Webster, and W. C. Pierrepont, and the Rev. Drs. Hale and Whitehouse.

The Committee on the Treasurer's Accounts, presented the same, audited as follows, viz:

## REPORT.

The Convention of the Diocese of Western New York, in account with W. S. Philpot. Treasurer.

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W. S. PHILPOT, Treasurer.

Canandaigua, September 30th, 1840.

The Committee on the Treasurer's account, having examined the same, report that the amount of money received into his hands within the past year, including a balance of \$70.77 on the previous year, has been \$4,201.06, and that his payments on various accounts, for which the proper vouchers have been exhibited, have been \$2,150.80, leaving at this date a balance to the credit of the Diocese, of \$2,050.26.

G. B. Webster, Wm. C. Pierrepont, John E. Hinman.

Buffalo, October 1st, 1840.

The Committee on that portion of the Bishop's Address which relates to disabled Clergymen, made the following

# REPORT:

The Committee to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's address which related to a plan whereby a suitable provision might be made for the relief of disabled Clergymen in this Diocese, would respectfully report, that the duty imposed upon

them is of such a nature as to render their labor a light one: for the object need but to be mentioned in order to draw forth the sympathies and to ensure the support of every Churchman; and indeed, your Committee are of the opinion, that the day is not far distant when the subject will be brought under the notice and action of the Church in her general capacity, and a fund be created into which each Diocese will pour its contributions for the support of those who long ministered at her altars, and whose ministrations ceased only through physical infirmity, and when that day arrives, as arrive it will, it will be pleasing to reflect on the fact, as a happy indication even now of our own future prosperity, that we, a new Diocese, encountering the difficulties incidental to our infant state, were the first to originate a measure, which on each succeeding year will be more imperatively demanded; and a measure too, which from henceforth will be as enduring in this country as the existence of the Church.

The Committee would respectfully state that they are not able to devise or recommend any plan promising so much efficiency in the premises, as that suggested by the Bishop in his Address to the Convention, and therefore they recommend the adopting of the following resolutions, viz:

- 1. RESOLVED, That in order to create a fund for the purpose of relieving superannuated and infirm Clergymen of this diocese, it be recommended to each Clergyman having charge of a parish in the same, to raise therein, by voluntary contribution of benevolent individuals, annually at Christmas, the sum of at least five dollars, the same recommendation being extended to the Church Wardens in all cases of vacant parishes.
- 2. RESOLVED, That a Treasurer be appointed by the Convention to whom all such contributions shall be forwarded immediately,
- 3. RESOLVED, That the Fund thus created be denominated THE CHRISTMAS FUND FOR DISABLED CLERGYMEN IN THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW YORK.
- 4. RESOLVED, That all appropriations shall be made by a committee of Laymen, of whom the Treasurer shall be one.
- 5. RESOLVED, That no appropriations shall be made for the present, of more than \$200 per annum, to any individual, and then only on the certificate of the Bishop, that the individual has so labored within the limits of this Diocese, for a period not less than three years, and is now disabled by age or physical infirmity, from having a perochial charge, as to entitle him to the said appropriation. The payments to be made semi-annually, on the first of January and July.
- 6. RESOLVED, That this report and these resolutions, if adopted, be published at as easily a day as practicable, in the Gospel Messenger.

STEPHEN McHugh, Chairman.

The question being taken on the resolutions submitted by the Committee, they were adopted, as reported, and the contributions therein recommended, required to be made.

The Committee on the Diocesan Fund reported no action to be necessary on the subject committed to them.

The Committee appointed to confer with the Committee of the

Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of the Central part of the State of New York, made the following

#### REPORT:

The Committee appointed to confer with the Committee of the Bible and Prayer Book Society of the central part of the State of New York, on the subject of forming a Diocesan Society, would respectfully report to the Convention, that a conference was held with the said Committee, in July last, in which it was unanimously resolved to be inexpedient to make any change in the existing relations of that Society for the present. This united report by both Committees was afterward submitted to the Bible and Common Prayer Book Society and approved by them.

. All of which is respectfully submitted,

SAMURL G. APPLETON, Chairman.

The Committee on the plan for the foundation of new Parishes, made the following

#### REPORT:

The Committee to whom was referred a resolution of the last Convention calling for the recommendation of some suitable plan for the foundation of any new parishe hereafter to arise in this Diocese, respectfully report:

That they consider the design of the resolution in every way proper. The Statutes of the State of New York already prescribe the preliminary steps to be taken, before any new religious corporation can come into existence. The design of this resolution is to give energy and efficiency to these Corporations thus arising under the Statutes.

The parishes in our Diocese, in fact, in our country at large, as is well knewn, are dependent for their temporal support upon the voluntary system; that is, upon the voluntary contributions of the individuals of these parishes. These contributions are received in various ways—sometimes in the way of pew tax; sometimes by means of a subscription. This latter mode however has been found so uncertain and precarious that the plan of an annual pow tax has generally superseded it; and it is believed by the Committee that the mode of a pow tax is the best which can be adopted under our voluntary system to secure a suitable revenue for Parish purposes. Still there will be a difficulty in raising a regular and proper revenue by taxation upon powe, unless every Church edifice be in the beginning founded properly. In fact this difficulty is known to exist already in one or more of the eld and large parishes of this Diocese.-In the beginning when the Church edifice was completed, in apportioning pews, individuals became possessed of vested rights in see simple under the corporation without any restriction in some instances, and in others, with restrictions so limited that the corporation has become powerless in raising its proper revenues. They have thus been disabled from taxing the pews or from taxing them beyond a limited extent and thereby from raising the necessary revenue of the Parish. ewere that no "ex post facto" law now made can remedy difficulties of this kind already existing in any of the older parishes: they can only hope that mutually influenced by feelings of liberality and justice, such difficulties may be set aside between the corporation and individuals possessing such vested rights under them.

But new parishes may be prevented from falling into this difficulty. They may be so established that the necessary revenue may be made certain to them; and

what is also desirable, that their foundation after this may be uniform. To secure this the Committee would propose the following plan and resolution:

Whenever any new Church edifice is to be erected in any new parish within this Diocese by the joint effort of individuals, the Wardens and Vestrymen of said parish, shall cause a plan to be made of all the sittings in the proposed edifice—then affix the value of each pew upon said plan, and cause the plan thus marked to be kept with the records of the corporation, as the basis of all future taxation. The Committee would hope as a matter of prudence that the cost of the Church edifice shall never exceed the aggregate amount of said valuations.

Then let a subscription be opened for the building of the edifice under the following form:

The undersigned agree to pay to the parish of in the sums opposite to their respective names for the purpose of securing a Church edifice for said Parish upon the following conditions:

- 1. The sums subscribed shall not be expended for any other purpose, but held sacred to the purpose of buying a suitable site for a Church Building, and placing such building thereon.
- 2. These sums thus subscribed shall not be considered as given—except where it is otherwise ordered by the subscriber—but as money loaned and to be refunded in pows in such manner and under such restrictions and subject to the payment of such rents and charges as the Wardens and Vestrymen of said Church may direct whenever the Church building is completed—provided always and in every case that no individual shall receive from the corporation a deed for any pew, until the whole amount of his subscription has been paid.

If this plan could be adopted, difficulties about revenue would in a large degree come. When the Church edifice was completed the Wardens and Vestrymen might sell the sittings at private or public sale as they thought best, delivering to purchasers the deeds for the sittings always with this provise—that they were to be assessed from year to year by the Wardens and Vestrymen for the time being for the contingent revenue of the parish—said assessment never to go beyond a certain maximum per centage, and never fall below a certain minimum—and in case any purchaser failed to pay said annual assessment thus made for two years then the fee simple in the sitting to remit to the corporation. Thus the rights of both parties would be respected in the contract. The maximum limit protecting the pew holder, and the minimum protecting the corporation—and according to the wants of the Parish, the Wardens and Vestrymen would annually range their assessment between the maximum and minimum limits.

Thinking this the best plan for securing the rights of all parties which they can devise, the Committee submit it to the Convention with the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, That whenever any new Church edifice is to be erected in any new parish in this Diocese by the joint effort of individuals the foregoing plan be and is hereby recommended by the Convention to said parish as the basis of its action.

C. S. HAWKS, Chairman.

The question being taken on the resolution submitted by the Committee, it was adopted as reported.

On motion,

Resolved, That, with a view to obtaining plans and estimates for

the erection of Church edifices, suitable to the wants of the smaller parishes of the Diocese, the subject be continued in charge of the Committee, and that the Rev. Dr. Hale be added thereto.

On motion of Mr. W. Hunt,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the subject of recording baptisms and other official acts of the Bishop and of Clergymen having no parochial cure be referred to a committee consisting of one Clergymen and two Laymen, and that this Committee be authorized to apply, if necessary, to the Legislature of the State of New York, for such legal enactments as they shall deem needful, and that they be requested to report at the next Convention.

The Chair appointed Messrs. W. Hunt and R. C. Nicholas, and the Rev. E. H. Cressey.

On motion of the Rev. L. Smith,

Resolved, That the Convention do now proceed to the consideration of the report of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons.

The Rev. Dr. Proal, from the Committee in whose charge the amendments to the canons had been continued at the last Convention, reported that the Committee had performed the duties assigned to them, and recommended the adoption of the Canons with certain amendments, alterations and additions, as set forth in their report, which he presented.

Whereupon the house took up the Report of the Committee on the proposed Canons, and having made some progress therein, took a recess until 8 o'clock this afternoon.

## FRIDAY AFTERNOON, 8 O'CLOCK.

The Convention re-assembled. The hour appointed for that purpose having arrived, the house proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee, and the Deputies to the General Convention, made the order of the day for three o'clock.

The following gentlemen were duly elected:

#### STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Drs. Rudd, Hale, and Shelton, and the Rev. Mr. Metcalf of the Clergy; and Wm. C. Pierrepont, Thomas H. Hubbard, R. C. Nicholas and Vincent Matthews, Esqrs., of the Laity.

#### DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

The Rev. Drs. Whitehouse, Proal and Shelton, and the Rev. L. Smith, of the Clergy; and C. H. Carroll, Jonas Earll, jr., Chester Griswold, and G. B. Webster, Esqrs., of the Laity.

The Standing Committee, as the Missionary Board of the Diocese, made the following

### REPORT:

The Standing Committee acting as a board of Missions, in pursuance of a Recolution of the Convention, would respectfully report their proceedings as follows, viz:

The Committee were called together in Dec., 1839, for the purpose of receiving and considering a proposal from the Bishop and a Committee of the Convention of the Diocese of New York, acting in concert with a Committee of the board of the Education and Missionary Society, that the connection of the two Dioceses under the Canon passed by the Convention of New York at Utica, August 23d, 1838, in relation to Missions, should terminate, and the funds of the speciety be divided. By that Canon either Cenvention possessed the power to sever the connection between the two, whenever it should deem it expedient.

The Convention of the Diocese of New York had at their meeting in October, 1830, passed a resolution declaring it expedient to dissolve the existing connection, and had appointed a Committee with full powers to effect a division of the funds.

Upon comparison of opinion as to the mode of action under the Canon of August, 1838, it was deemed expedient by this Board also, that the separation should take place. The two Boards have passed resolutions, respectively, declaring it expedient to separate, and have agreed amicably upon an arrangement as to the funds. In this arrangement the Bishop and the Diocese of New York have extended their usual cheerful liberality, to their brethren in this Diocese, and are eminently entitled to our gratitude.

Copies of the Correspondence and proceedings in relation to this whole matter are preserved on the records of the Standing Committee.

By the terms of this arrangement, the Diocese of New York agrees to pay over to the Treasurer of this Diocese in quarterly payments, on the 26th day of December. March, June, and September, in each year, respectively, the following sums, viz:

\$4,000 for the year ending October 1, 1840.

3,000 for the year ending October 1, 1841.

2,000 for the year ending October 1, 1842. 1,000 for the year ending October 1, 1843.

To give to this Diocese the whole of the permanent fund of the Education and Missionary Society, amounting to about ten thousand dollars, the income only to be appropriated to the support of Missions; and to allow to this Diocese the whole proceeds of her collections and contributions since Oct. 1, 1839, except \$300 of the sums raised by the special appeal in December of that year.

The permanent fund consists of Lexington and Ohio Rail Read Stock, and bonds and mertgages, amounting in all to \$10,150, yielding an annual interest of \$660.50.—This fund has not yet been transferred; but A. B. Johnson, Eq. of Utica, having consented at the request of the Standing Committee, to act as Trustee for the same, the transfer will be made at an early day.

During the year ending let, October, 1840, Mr. C. N. S. Rowland, the Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Society, has, in order to prevent confusion, and ember-resument to our Missionaries, very kindly consented to pay their drafts; the sum re-

quired from this Diocese being supplied to him by our Treasurer. The quarterly salaries of the Missionaries, due on January 1, 1841, will be paid within the limits of our own Diocese according to arrangements to be hereafter made with the Treasurer, of which due and timely notice will be given to the several Missionaries.

Previously to the separation of the two Dioceses the stations had been fixed and the Missionaries appointed by the Board in New York, acting under the Canon of August, 1838. No other change in this point was necessary but what arose from additions to be made to that list, and some slight alterations in connecting places together founded on more accurate knowledge of their relative positions and distances. The number of missionaries that have been employed during the year for a longer or shorter period is 46. Of these 4 have left the Diocese; 2 have ceased to be missionaries by expiration of the term for which the stipend was voted to their Churches, and 6 others have resigned their stations to seek other fields of labor in the Diocese, or elsewhere.

A full list of the Missionaries and Stations, with the changes that may occur in the interim, the Committee will prepare to be appended to the Journal of the Convention. As it will be necessary gradually to discontinue the older and stronger stations, and to substitute new ones according to our Missionary resources, the standing Committee will be compelled to classify the stations according to the length of time they have received the stipend, and their ability to sustain themselves. During the year which commences Oct. 1, 1840, and will end Oct. 1, 1841, the financial arrangements of the Board are such as will enable them to continue their present Missionaries in the field, except in a few cases where the stipend has already ceased.

The Board prepose that in Oct. 1841 the Missionary parishes be divided into full stipend and half stipend parishes, and that after the expiration of the present year, twenty of the strongest parishes be put upon the half stipend list, and that in no case hereafter any parish shall receive the full stipend for mere than three years, nor the half stipend for more than two years additional.

Such an arrangement will enable the Diocese to keep up a continual influx and efflux of Missionary Parishes, in a way best calculated under Ged to strengthen the Parishes themselves, and with them the Diocese at large.

In conformity to the regulation of the Convention, requiring a statement of the amount and objects of the Church collections and appropriations under the new plan of collections, the Committee submit the report of the Treasurer, from which it appears that

The whole amount received for all purposes in the Diocese since
October 1, 1889, is - - 94,130 29

The whole sum received from collections in Churches, from Jan. 1, 1840, to Sept. 15, is

The whole number of organized Churches that have made the collections, is

Of unorganized congregations,

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The whole number of Churches that have omitted to make any collection, is

A list showing what Churches have failed to make, and what Churches have made the collections, with the amounts received from each, from January 1st to September 15th, 1840, accompanies this report.

The average monthly contributions of the Diocese has been \$344.00.

The balance in the hands of the Treasurer, is \$2,050.26. Of this balance a considerable amount has been already appropriated by the Churches, or by the Commit-

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toe to specific objects, but not yet paid over; it is not therefore subject to further ap propriation.

The following new stations have been created, and are supplied with Missiona-ries:

- 1. Hammondsport and Wayne, Steuben County, from July 1, 1840.
- 2. Liverpool and Salina, Onondaga County, from September 1, "
- 3. Dexter, Jefferson County, " " "
- 4. Clyde, Wayne County,
- 5. Niagara Falls and Tonawanda, Niagara County, "

Beside these, Corning, Steuben County, with Big Flatts, Chemung County, and Jefferson and Havanna, Chemung County, have been made stations, but are not yet supplied.

Changes have also been made so as to separate Olean from Ellicottville, making each a station by itself, connecting Medina with Royalton, Cape Vincent with Sacket's Harbor, and constituting the whole County of Lewis a Missionary station. None of these last named stations are yet supplied, but Medina and Olean.

The results of the labors of the Missionaries are laid before the Convention in their Annual Reports to the Convention, through the Bishop, and are not required to be re-stated here.

The Committee have two persons on their list of Beneficiaries to be sustained by the Education Funds, over and above the aid given by this Diocese to the Education branch of the Society in New York, which it is understood has charge of the Education of six others belonging to this Diocese.

From the estimates which the committee have been able to make in regard to the future support of our Missions, under the gradual withdrawal of aid from the other Diocese, they feel confident that with the Divine blessing on the zealous and faithful prosecution, by the Clergy and Parishes, of the plan of contributions adopted by the Diocese, our Missionary establishment can be sustained in vigor, efficiency, and usefulness; and at the same time the various demands upon us for other Diocesan Church objects, according to their respective and relative importance, be met.

In consequence of the state of things arising out of the change of the Missionary relations of the Diocese, involving for a time some uncertainty as to the amount of means that would be at the disposal of the Committee, no steps have been taken in regard to the subject of travelling Missionaries, except the constituting the whole county of Lewis into a Missionary station for such a Missionary.

All which is respectfully submitted,

W. H. DE LANCEY, Chairman.

It was, on motion,

Resolved, That the reading of the Parochial Reports be dispensed with, and that they be appended to the Journal.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen be appointed by the Chair.

Whereupon, Messrs. J. G. Swift, and Thomas H. Hubbard, together with the Treasurer, were appointed the Committee.

The Convention then resumed the consideration of the report of the Committee on the Canons; when having made further progress therein, at the hour of six o'clock the house, on motion, took a recess until seven o'clock.

#### FRIDAY EVENING, 7 O'CLOCK.

The Convention re-assembled.

On motion,

Resolved, That the election of Supplemental Deputies be de-ferred.

The Committee to whom the communications and reports of the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate had been referred, made the following

#### REPORT:

The committee to whom were referred the reports of the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, with the accompanying communications, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave respectfully to Report:

That the reason assigned in the letter of John C. Spencer, Eq., for resigning the office of Trustee of the Episcopate Fund of this diocese en account of his removal from the diocese, appears to them satisfactory and sufficient. It appears desirable to your committee that in the selection of Trustees for the management of this fund, regard should be had to contiguity of location, in order that the Board may meet as often as the interests of their trust may require, without too great a sacrifice either of time, money, or personal convenience. The reasons assigned by Messrs. Redfield and Johnson in their letters of resignation, are based upon the ground that the Trustees are situated so remotely from each other as to render it highly inconvenient, if not impracticable for them to meet for the transaction of business; thereby rendering it necessary to entrust the whole management of the fund to some one person of the Board. This objection appears to your committee to be well founded, and with a view to obviate the same, they have deemed it expedient that the resignation of one of those gentlemen, Mr. Redfield, should be accepted, and the vacancies occasioned by his resignation, and that of Mr. Spencer filled by the appointment of two gentlemen residing in the city of Utica. The reasons contained in Mr. Johnson's letter being thus removed, it has been deemed expedient not to accept of his resignation, and he has been accordingly retained in the Board by your committee.

It appears from the Report of the Trustees that the income of the Episcopate Fund, amounting to the sum of \$2,485 has been punctually received and paid over to the Bishop of the Diocese. Of the sufficiency and permanency of the investment of the principal of the fund, your committee have not been able to form a satisfactory opinion, and have therefore thought proper to make it the duty of the Trustees te investigate the subject and increase the security if they think proper.

Your committee have also considered it incumbent upon them to call the attention of the Convention, as well to the legal capacity of the Trustees to hold and protect this fund, as to their legal responsibilities and relations to the Convention appoint-

liberation of some person thoroughly acquainted with the law of Trusts and Powers as now established, and with this view they have prefered recommending the appointment of a committee to be charged with the duty of obtaining sound legal advice, upon the subject, rather than to advance any hasty opinion of their own.

From the report of the Trustees it appears that the sum of \$2,569.58 has been paid to the Bishop for his salary for the year ending May 1st, 1840, whereas the interest on the fund amounts only to \$2,485, making an excess of \$84.58 over the actual income of the fund. This discrepancy is accounted for in part by the fact that this difference had accrued by way of interest on the fund after it had passed into the hands of the Trustees, but before the time when the salary of the Bishop commenced. It is therefore, strictly speaking, a part of the principal, instead of the interest of the fund. Your committee, however agree with the Trustees in the suggestion contained in their report, that it is expedient to authorize said payment, and have prepared a resolution for that purpose.

In the consideration of the subjects referred to your committee, their attention has been necessarily drawn to the provisions contained in the proposed canon, which relates exclusively to the disposition of the Episcopate fund. Several modifications having suggested themselves to your committee: they have thought proper to incorporate the proposed Canon, with amendments, in their report, and beg leave that it may be considered as part of the same, and be acted upon when the said Canon shall come before the House.

In conclusion, your committee beg leave to submit to the Convention the following resolutions:

- 1. RESOLVED, That the resignations of Mesers. John C. Spencer, and Heman J. Redfield, as Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate of this diocese, be and the same are hereby accepted.
- 2. RESOLVED, That John E. Hinman and Hiram Denio, Esqs., be and they are hereby appointed Trustees of the Fund, for the support of the Episcopate vice John C. Spencer and Heman J. Redfield, Esqs., resigned.
- 3. RESOLVED, That the objections stated in the letter of Mr. Johnson resigning his office as Trustee, having been obviated by the selection of the existing Board of Trustees, it is inexpedient to accept of his resignation.
- 4. RESOLVED, That said Trustees be and they are hereby directed to examine into the state of the securities in which the Episcopate Fund is now invested, and if in their opinion the said securities should be deemed insufficient, that they require such additional security as they may deem proper.
- 5. RESOLVED, That a committee of five be appointed by the Chair, to inquire whether any measures are necessary, and if any, what measures, further to secure or define the legal capacity and the extent of the power of the Convention or of the Trustees of the Episcopate Fund over said Fund; and also the relation of the said Board of Trustees to the Convention. And in case it should be found necessary, as a means of safety and beneficially transacting the business of the said fund, that said committee be authorized, with the concurrence of the Bishop, to apply to the Legislature of this State, for an actineorporating the said Trustees, or the Convention of the Diocese of Western New York.
  - 5. RESOLVED, That the payment of the interest which accrued previous to the



### APPENDIX,

No. I.

#### PAROCHIAL AND MISSIONARY REPORTS.

St. Paul's Church, Angelica, Alleghany county; the Rev. LEWIS THIBOU, jr., Missionary.

Congregation; Families 47; (adults 169, children 82,) 251; Baptisms (adults 4, infants 4,) 8; Communicants (added—admitted 11, received 2.) 13; died or removed 3; present number 72; Burials 2; Public Services (on Sundays 90, on other days 46,) 136; Children catechised 5 to 20; number of times 13; Sunday Schools 2; Teachers (male 2, female 9,) 11; Pupils (male 29, female 50,) 78.

It is but just to say that one of the Sunday Schools reported, containing fifty scholars and six teachers, is, and has been sustained for several years, by the exertions of a lady of the parish about four miles from the Church.

St. Mark's Church, Hunt's Hollow, Alleghany county; the Rev. Lucius Carter, Missionary.

Congregation; Families 34; Baptisms [adults 3, infants 7,] 10; Communicants, admitted 5; died 1; present number 80; Marriages 3; Burials 5; Public services, [en Sundays 120, other days 20,] 140; children catechised once only by the Restor; Sunday Schools 1; Teachers [male 3, female 6,] 9; pupils [male 18, female 24,] 42.

Monthly collections amounted to \$42, chiefly appropriated to the general fund.

This Church is at present in as prosperous a state as it has been at any former time; except so far as it is affected by the pecuniary embarrassments of some of its members. The average attendance at Church has probably been greater for the year past than ever before. Ten or twelve persons are waiting for an opportunity to be confirmed; two of them, until recently, were members of the Presbyterian Congregation, and in good standing at the time of withdrawing from it. Your Missionary, believing himself called by Divine Providence to another field of labor, resigns his present charge very reluctantly, and leaves a congregation to which he feels a sincere and ardent attachment, with the hope and prayer that the vacancy will be speedily and happily supplied.

Christ Church, Binghamton, Broome county; the Rev. Edward Andrews, D. D., Rector.

Number of families 65; Baptisms (adults 2, children 5) 7; Confirmed 7; Communicants (added 3, died 1,) present number 62; Marriages 6; Burials 13.

Public services on Sundays, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Christmas day, Christ-

mas Eve, and as often as the Rector's health will allow on other days.

The children of the Parish have all been faithfully catechised.

Sunday School Teachers 7; Scholars 55.

Cananica	l Collections hav	vo been	duly me	ide. viz	:	•		
Miss	ionary and Edu			•	•	-	_	00
Dioc	seean Fund,	•	, •	•	•	•	_	00
Epis	copal Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	3	00
							992	00
Colle	ection for the Po	or on I	Chankeg	iving D	ay.	•	€10	00
Don	ation to the Afri	can Col	onizatio	a Socie	ty.	•	30	00
Coll	ection for Sunda	y Scho	el Libra	PV.	•	•	13	00
Men	ection for Sund: iies collected for	local ol	bjects,	•	•	•	900	00
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St. Luke's Church, Harpersville, Broome county; the Rev. James Keeler, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 46; Baptisms, [adults 1, infants 5,] 6; Confirmed 3; Communicants; added, [admitted 4, received 1,] 5; present number 53; Marriages 4; Burials 3; Public services, on Sandays twice each, on other days occasionally.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Collected on Christmas for the Missionary Fund, .	<b>8</b> 5 <b>0</b> 0
By Senior Warden, to Domestic Missions,	8 00
Missionary Fund,	2 00
To Church objects to be appropriated by the Committee,	<b>6 00</b>
	991 00

St. John's Church, Ellicottville, Cattaraugus county; the Rev. Thomas Morris, Missionary.

Congregation; Families 23; Total 200; Baptisms [infants,] 4; Communicants (present number) 23; Marriage 1; Public Services [on Sundays 48,] Total 50; Sunday School 1; Teachers [male 2, female 2,] 4; Pupils [male 14, female 20,] 34.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Education and Missionary Society,

Church objects,

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In the state of this congregation there is much cause both for joy and grief. We have perfect peace, good congregations, good attention to the services of the Church, and prompt liberality in contributing on all occasions to support the institutions of the Church. These are evidences of a favorable regard to religion. But at the same time, it is a cause of grief that so few are in earnest pursuit of the "one thing needful."

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On Sundays I have held a Bible Class, which is well attended, and I hope will be the instrument of some good.

St. Stephen's Church, Olean, Cattaraugus county; the Rev. Thomas Morris, Missionary.

Congregation; Families 30; Baptisms [adults 2, infants 7,] 9; Communicants [added,—admitted 2, received 1,] 3; removed 2, present number 21; Marriages 2;

Burial 1; Public Services, (on Sundays 44, on other days 2,) 46; Sanday School 1; Teachers [male 2, female 2,] 4; Pupils, [male 16, female 17,] 33.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

To Education and Missionary	Society,	•	•	<b>\$</b> 11 <b>23</b>
To Church objects,	•		•	14 78
For Sunday School books,	•	•	•	5 50
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The condition of this Church is steadily improving, and the prospect of its future growth and prosperity is encouraging. I have not been able to attend the services here for the past year with usual regularity, personal affliction, the remarkable bad state of the roads on a few occasions, and a few weeks of necessary absence during the Summer, have been the cause of this.

St. Peter's Church, Auburn, Cayuga county, the Rev. WILLIAM CROSWELL, Rector.

Congregation: Families 82; Baptisms (adults 7, infants 10,) 17; Confirmed 28; Communicants (added—admitted 10, received 6) 16; Died 4, Removed 24, present number 115; Marriages 2; Burials 10.

Public services three, at present on each Sunday. Children catechised every Sunday after evening service, at the chancel.

Sunday School 1; Teachers (male 4, female 6,) 10; Pupils (male 20, female 40.) 60;

The Rectorship of this Church, having become vacant by the death of the late lamented incumbent, the Rev. Wm. Lucas, on the 27th of September, 1839, no Parochial report was presented at the last Convention. He was succeeded by the Rev. Charles W. Hackley, in November of the same year, who resigned the charge in May last, in consequence of ill health, after many and abiding fruits of a short but faithful ministry. The present Rector entered upon their labors on the first Sunday in August, and his report includes little more than the records left by them on the Parish Register. Of his own personal success, he is not yet prepared to speak, but his predecessors have made his path so pleasant and plain before him, that he cannot but anticipate gratifying results from following in their footsteps.

St. Paul's Church, Aurora, Cayuga county; the Rev. BEARDSLEY NORTHROP, Missionary.

I have officiated four Sundays in this Church, but from my short sequaintance with the parish, am not able to give a particular report of it. The services have been well attended, and I cannot but indulge the hope that at some future period this parish will become still more prosperous.

I have also held one service in Genoa, in this county, where reside several fami-

lies of Episcopalians.

St. Matthew's Church, Moravia, Cayuga county; the Rev. Beardsley Northrop, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 36; [adults 95, children 40,] 135; Baptisms, [adults 4, infants 4,] 8; Confirmed 10; Communicants added, [admitted 5, received 2,] 7; Died 1, present number 28; Marriage 1; Burials 3; Public services on Sundays 94; on other days 5; whole number 99; Children catechised 1; Sunday School 1; [male teachers 9, female teachers 8,] 17; Pupils (male 29, female 40,) 69.

Monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Missionary and Education Society, . . . \$15 00

Your Missionary took charge of this station the 1st of December last, since which time to the present, there has been a gradually increasing attention to the general

· interest of the Church and religion. The services are well attended, and the parish is in a prosperous condition.

A considerable portion of the Sunday Scholars numbered above, do not properly belong to our Congregation; but are such as were inclined to attend, who would otherwise have been without Sunday School instruction.

St. Peter's Church, Forestville, Chautauque county; the Rev. Lucius Smith, Missionary.

Families 12; Baptisms [infants] 4; Communicants, [added 4,] present number 12.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

\$15 00

The Congregation of St. Peter's Church is steadily advancing. The services have never been better attended than during the past year. The monthly collections have here also been regularly made. One fourth of my services are given to Forestville.

Trinity Church, Fredonia, Chautauque county; the Rev. Lucius Smith, Missionary.

Families 35; Baptisms, [adults 3, infants 11,] 14; Marriages 7; Burials 7; Communicants added 2, present number 40.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For the Education and Missionery Society.

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I have kept no record of services performed on other days except Sunday. I can only say I have frequently preached on other occasions—always on Sunday two full services, except on two Sundays during the past year, when I have been detained by illness. The congregation of Trinity Church is prosperous, annual additions are made to the Church, and yet her advancement is slow; but we trust permanent. The monthly collections have been regularly made, and I am happy to add that the plan adopted at the last Convention, meets with general approbation. By reference to the amount received and paid to the Treasurer from this parish and Forestville, it will be seen that

Thus we have from these small parishes paid into the Treasury \$41 12; certainly about double the amount ever collected before.

St. Luke's Church, Jamestown, Chautauque county; the Rev. N. Huse, Missionary.

I went early in June to Jamestown, with a view to pass Sunday, and make arrangements for officiating there regularly at stated times; but the Episcopalians there are so few that they considered the prospect hopeless, and did not know where a house could be obtained, even for occasional service.

During the four years I was Rector of St. Peter's, Westfield, which have not been reported, there were Baptisms (adults 24, infants 20,) 44; Confirmed 25; Communicants, added 25. As some have removed, the present number is about 40. The congregation is not large, but highly respectable. The station is now yearnt.

The Missionary collections were regularly made every month at Westfield and Mayville. By the wish of the Wardens and Vestrymen, they have been regularly made every two months, except the jast, which was unavoidably prevented.

St. Paul's Church, Mayville, Chautauque county; the Rev. N. HUSE, Missionary.

I continued to officiate constantly and equally at Mayville and Westfield, unt. June last. Since that time, I have devoted my services principally to Mayville and the vicinity. I have the pleasure of stating that the congregation at Mayville has evidently increased the summer past, and the prospect is encouraging.

St. Peter's Church, Westfield, Chautauque county, [Vacant Parish. Report made by the Wardens.]

Congregation: Families 26; (adults 57, children 33,) 90; Communicants, added (received) 2, present number 37; Marriage 1; Burials 2.
Public Services, (on Sundays 98, on other days 2,) 100.

The monthly Collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

To Diocesan Missions,

**\$18 00** 

The Rev. N. Huse was Rector of this Church, and officiated one half of the time up to 1st June last. The other half, up to 1st June, and since that time, all the services have been performed by a Lay reader. A small Sunday School has been kept up most part of the time for the year past.

St. Paul's Church, Big Flatts, Chemung county; [Vacant parish: No Report.]

Trinity Church, Elmira, Chemung county, the Rev. Gordon Winslow, Rector.

Congregation: Families 67; (adults 185, children 130,) 315; Baptisms (adults 9, infants 33,) 42; Confirmed 31; Communicants added (admitted 22, received 2,) 24; Died or Removed 6, present number 59; Marriages 2; Burials 9.

Public services, (On Sundays 118, on other days 23,) 141.

Children Catechised 12 times.

Sunday School 1; Teachers (male 5, female 6,) 11; Pupils (male 28, female 35,) 63.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz :

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Expenses of Convention,	•	•	•	•	5	00
Education and Missions -	•	•	•	•	47	29
General Theological Seminary,	•	•	•	•	3	00
Diocesan Fund,	•	•	•	•	2	00
Sunday School in Parish,	•	•	•	•	12	00
Episcopal Fund,	-	•	•	•	3	00
Parish purposes for enlarging the	Churc	Ь.	•	•	375	00
Ladies' Society for furnishing Cl	burch, d	ka,	•	•	320	
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Our Vestry are about enlarging the Church by eresting a gallery. We have the promise of a lot for a Rectory, and hope to build soon. Our ladies continue their unwearied efforts, the net avails of which in six years are \$2,130 00. I have preached several times in neighboring towns and administered the sacrament in destitute parishes twice. At Corning and Big Flatts about \$400 is subscribed for the support of a minister. The two places would form an interesting missionary station, especially if occupied soon.

- St. James' Church, Jefferson, Chemung county. [No report.]
- St. John's Church, Johnson's Settlement, Chemung county; the Rev. RICHARD SMITH, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 48; [adults 111, children 71,] 230; Baptisms, [adult 1, infant 1,] 2; Confirmed 2; Communicants 35; Marriage 1; Burials 3; Public ser-

vices, [on Sundays 52, on other days 2, at other places adjacent 6,] 60; Children extechised every Sunday more or less; Sunday School 1; [male teachers 4, female teachers 5,] 9; Pupils 44.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Missionary Fund at I Church Objects,	Y.,	•	•	•	•	<b>\$</b> 5 00 10 <b>00</b>
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				·		<b>\$</b> 15·00

St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge, Chenango county; the Rev. WILLIAM E. EIGENBRODT, Rector.

Baptisms, (Adults 12, Infants 11) Total 23; Confirmed 18; Communicants added, (admitted 12, received 2,) Total 14; Removed, 1; Present number 68; Marriages 3; Burials 6; Public services, [on Sundays 100, on other days 54,] Total 154; Children Catechised, 49 times.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz :

Domestic Missions,	•	•	•	•	•	<b>\$</b> 5	00
New York Bible and Co	ommon Pi	rayer l	Book Sa	ciety,	•	4	00
New York Protestant E	piscopal '	Cract !	Society,	-	-	10	00
Episcopal Fund,	Ĭ <b>.</b> .	•	•	-	•	3	00
Diocesan Fund,	•	•	•	•	•		00
Missionary Fund of the of the Diocese,	Education	n and	Mission	ary 80	ciety	8 }	00
General Fund of the Dio	)C <b>08</b> 0,	•	•	-	•	16	00
·						<b>8</b> 49	00

Before the monthly collections were commenced, contributions were made for the following objects:

General Protestant Episcopal Theological Seminary,	<b>\$11 25</b>
General Protestant Episcopal Theological Seminary, Missionary Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	6 00
Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese.	5 00

One person belonging to this congregation was Confirmed this year in the Church of a neighboring parish.

During the last year, !this Congregation has contributed upwards of \$300 for improvements made in the interior of their Church.

After the regular Sunday services stated above, the Rector has continued frequently to officiate at South Bainbridge. He has also officiated in the adjacent town of Sanford.

Trinity Church, Coventry, Chenango county.

[This Parish is under the charge of the Rev. J. V. Van Ingen, and the services rendered are included in the report for Zion Church, Greene.]

Christ Church, Guilford, [Fayette,] Chenango county; the Rev. D. Huntington, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 33, [adults 89, children 60,] 149; Baptisms [infants] 11; Communicants—added 1, died 1, removed 1, present number 33; Marriage 1; Burial 1; Public services, [on Sundays 42, on other days 7,] 49; Children catechised 20; number of times 40; Sunday school 1; Teachers [male 1, female 5,] 6; Purils 20, sometimes more.

Zion Church, Greene, Chenango county; the Rev. John V. Van Ingen, Rector.

Congregation: Families 70; (adults 186, children 155,) 341; Baptisms (adults 10, infanta 9,) 19; Confirmed 11; Communicants added (admitted 10, received 1,) 11; Died or removed 3; present number 69; Marriages 3; Burials 5.

Public services, (on Sundays 116, on other days 59,) 175.

Children Catechised—no record kept of the number of times. At the week day services in Lent, generally in the Sunday School, and on Thursday afternoons a class of the older Catechumens, as well as one in a distant part of the parish.

Sunday Schools 2; Teachers (male 6, female 7,) 13; Pupils (male 50, female 45,) 95.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Episcopal Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	•	<b>\$</b> 3	00
Diocesan Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	•	4	00
Education Society,		•	•	•	•	•	6	00
Diocesan Missions,	l	•	•	•	•	•	9	00
General Theologic	al Semi	nary,	•	•	•	•	3	00
Bible and Common	Prayer	Book	Society,	,	•	•	1	00
Tract Society,	•	•	•	•	•	•	1	00
						_	997	<u>_</u>

The Rector regrets that no exact record has been kept of the number of times he has catechised the children. It shall be duly kept in future from a sense of the importance of such records generally as a means of securing our own fidelity.

Grace Church, Mount Upton, Chenango county; the Rev. D. HUNTINGTON, Missionary.

I have held services once a month in Grace Church, and have administered the holy communion there once. The number of communicants 4; the congregation is always amall.

St. Andrew's church, New Berlin, Chenango county; the Rev. RUSSEL WHEELER, Rector.

[There is no report from this parish.]

Emanuel Church, Norwich, Chenango county; the Rev. L. A. BARROWS, Missionary.

Congregation; Families 25; Baptisma, infants 7; Confirmed 1; Communicants added, (admitted 1, received 3,) 4; present number 34; Marriages 3; Burials 4; Public services, jon Sundays 100, on other days 3,] 103; Children Catechised 25; three 12; Sunday school 1; male teachers 3, female teachers 5,] 8; Pupils 40.

The menthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

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By subscription for a carpet for the	aisles a	f the C	hur	cb,	40 00
For Sunday School Library	•			•	10 00
Tract Society,	•	•		•	1 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	•	•	,	•	2 00
Diocesan Objects,	•	•		•	4 00
Missionary and Education Society,	•	•	•	•	<b>\$9 00</b>

The condition of the Church is evidently improving. At no period since its formetion have the prospects been more encouraging; but her progress will be slow, and for years will be no very inviting field of labor. The Congregation is increasing;

the attendance of the children in the Sunday School is very regular; the teachers are faithful; monthly collections are regularly, and now cheerfully made, and with the blessing of God "in due time we shall reap if we faint not."

St. Paul's Church, Oxford, Chenango county; the Rev. LEVER-ETT BUSH, D. D., Rector.

Femilies 40; Communicants, (added 2) 75; Baptisms (1 adult) 4; Marriages 5; Burials 4; Sunday Scholers 40; Teachers 6

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows: Education and Missionary Society, **\$**12 25 13 (40 Bible and Prayer Book Society, 9 00 Theological Seminary, Diocesan Fund, 5 17 6 43 Tract Society, Missionary purposes, 6 84 Education and Missionary Society, 8 10 15 00 Female Missionary Association, **3**76 18

Christ Church, Sherburne, Chenango county, the Rev. THOMAS TOWELL, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 52, [adults 155, children 84,] total 231; Baptisms [adults 3, infants 9,] 12; Confirmed 6; Communicants [added, admitted 12, received 49] 61; Died or Removed 3, present number 58; Marriage 1; Burials 7; Public services, [on Sundays 120; on other days 13,] 133; Children Catechised, times 12; Sunday school 1, Teachers [male 11, famale 7,] 18; Pupils [male 20, famale 30,] 50.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For the Education and Missionary	Society,	•	. 98	00
Diocesan Fund	•	•	. 2	00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	•	•	. 3	00
Tract Society,	•	•	. 2	00
General Fund,	•	•	. 6	00
Collection taken up in December	1829, for the	Educat	ion and	
Missionary Society, .	•	•		00

In reporting the number of families belonging to my congregation, a difficulty oscurs, which I presume is not confined to my parish. In several instances the greater part of the family belongs to one of the other denominations, though they frequently attend Church and indeed often commune with us. In such cases where it happened to be the head of the family that belonged to the Church, I have merely set down one adult, when the wife—the same; when one of the children, not a communicant, him or her, I omitted. This way of avoiding the difficulty, although it may cause the number of the congregation to appear far less than it really is, yet appeared to me the most proper. When I commenced my labors here, I found the leaven of projudice working against our services until it had almost leavened the whole lump of other denominations, but by performing them in a natural and solemn menner, without the dressing of art, they have by their own native lustre found a way to the hearts of many, and obliged them to acknowledge that ours is in reelity the way to "wombip God in spirit and in truth." I regret that distance as well as want of means prevent me from attending the Convention. I have frequently been called upon to hold service at a distance of several miles for one or two Episcopalians, weakly in body and low in circumstances. I have done so once or twice, carrying with me a dozen prayer books which were distributed through the congregation, consisting of Presbyterians and Baptists, and have been much gratified both with the responses and also with the devout attention manifested. What the result of such a course would be, may easily be imagined.

Calvary Church, Homer, Cortland county; the Rev. HENRY GREGORY. Rector.

Congregation: Families 20; (adults 94, children 60,) 154; Baptiems, infants 6, Confirmed 1; Communicants added, (admitted 2, received 2,) 4; Died or removed, 11; present number 31; Marriages 3; Burials 3; Public services on Sandays, (in 11 months 97, on other days 20,) 117; Catschised (Children 18, adults 15,) 33; times 20; Sunday School 1; Teachers (male 1, female 2) 3; Pupils, (male 9, female 17,) 26.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Dioceean Missionary Fund,	-		•	<b>\$10</b>	00
Diocesan Education Fund,	-	• `.	•	- 5	00
General Theological Seminary	•	• •	•	- 4	00
Expenses of Convention,	•	•		. 5	00
Central Rible and Prayer Book	s Society	7.	•	- 3	00
Episcopal Fund, -	•	•	•	- 2	00
For Sunday School Books and	Tracts,	•	•	- 1	00
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After an absence of thirteen months in the service of the Board of Missions, the Rector returned Nov. 9, 1839. His report therefore embraces eleven months. One Sanday he has been sick, and one absent.

The Congregation is much weakened by removals, several of the principal families having within a year or two gone to strengthen other parishes. In eight years, while the additions to the Communion have been 60, the deaths and removals have been 53.

The 15 adult catechursons reported, are members of a Bible Class.

The members of the Congregation are a good deal scattered, several of them residing in adjoining towns.

St. Paul's Church, Auroraville, Eric county; the Rev. Isaac Garvin, Missionary.

Bartism 1; Marriages 3; Communicants 16.

Beside my services at the village of Auroraville, I have labored part of the time at Wales' Hollow, where there is a small growing Congregation, which has every appearance of becoming a permanent Society.

Grace Church, Black Rock, Erie county; the Rev. George Ogle, Deacon, Minister.

Congregation: Families 14; /adults 49, children 24,) 73; Baptisms [infant] 1; Communicants 14; Marriages 7; Buriels 8; Public services: on each Sunday 2, and sometimes 3; on other days, as the fasts and festivals of the Church, Worship is observed; total amount of services held by the Rector, since he came here, 112; Children catechised once on every Sunday; Sunday Schools 2; (male teachers 9, female teachers 14,) 23; pupils [male 45, female 70,] 115.

Five collections were made in this Church, amounting to the sum of \$18.50, which were transmitted to the Diocesan Treasurer, with the view of expending said sums in aid of Diocesan Missions.

St. Paul's Church, Buffalo, Erie county; the Rev. WILLIAM SHELTON, D. D. Rector.

Families 117; Beptisms: (infants 54, adults 6,) 60; Communicants 120; added 16; persons Confirmed 33; Burials 21; Maxriages 30; Sunday scholars 80; Teachers 12.

Collections, (in eight months.)
Church objects in General,
Theological Seminary,
- - - 30 00

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The number of services have been such as are contained in the regular Sunday services of the year, with the addition of those for Christmes Eve and Christmes day—and two services during the weeks of Lent, and one each day in Passion Week. There is also a regular service for the day appointed by the Governor of the State as a day of public Thanksgiving.

Trinity Church, Buffale, Erie county; Rev. C. S. HAWKS, Rector.

Congregation: Families 75; (adults 240, children 92,) 332; Baptisms: (adults 9, infants 31,) 40; Confirmed 30; Communicants: added, (admitted 15, received 3,) 18; died or removed, 12; present number 70; Marriages 20; Burials 16; Pablic Services, (on Sandays 104, on other days 21,) 125.

Monthly collections, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Domestic Missions,	٠.	•	•	•	•	\$10 00
Diocesan Purposes,	•		•		•	140 00
Education and Missi	ionary 8	Bociety (	of the	Diocese,	•	<b>25</b> 00
						\$175· 00

St. James' Church, Batavia, Geneses county; the Rev. James A. Bolles, Rector.

Congregation: Families 98; (adults 286, children 205,) 491; Baptisms: infants 13; Communicants: added, admitted 8; died or removed 6; present number 97; Marriages 4; Burials 15; Public services every Sunday, every Wednesday and Friday during Lent, and every Wednesday evening for three months; Children Catechised the first Sunday afternoon in every month; Sunday School 1; (male teachers 7, female teachers 10,) 17; Pupils 130.

Monthly Collections, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Sent to the Treasurer to be appropriated by the Standing	
Committee, To the Rev. Mr. Stout, for a Church in Michigan,	\$113 26 20 00
Total	<b>8</b> 143 <b>2</b> 6

St. Mark's Church, Le Roy, Genesee county; the Rev. KENDRICK METCALF, Rector.

Congregation: Families 65, (adults 200, children 108,) 308; Baptisms (adult 1, infants 3,) 4; Communicants added, 9; Died or removed 5, present number 81; Marriages 2; Burials 6; Public Services, (on Sundays 100, on other days 36,) 136; Children Catechised every Sunday; Sunday School 1; Teachers (male 4, female 6,) 10; Pupils 60.

Monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz;

Foreign Missions,

General fund for Church objects, -	•	•	<b>937 23</b>
Diocesan Missions,	~	•	35 00
Fund for the support of the Episcopate,	•	•	8 00
Dioceran Fund,	•	•	5 00
Relief of the Church in Michigan, -	•	•	15 70
Relief of the Church in Ellicottville,	• •	•	8 97
	<b>7</b>	•	<b>9109-29</b>
Monthly collection in Sunday School and	recretêle	d to	

This Church has been blessed by its Divine Head, with a degree of tranquil presperity, for which the Rector trusts he is not unthankful.

**\$**10 **00** 

St. John's Church Sheldon, Genesee county; the Rev. ISAAC GARVIN, Missionary.

I have visited this parish a few Sundays, to revive that ecciety, which has become almost extinct within a few years by removals and deaths, of almost all the Episcopal families; leaving only one active male member and a few females, scattered through the town, very remote from each other.

St. Clement's Church, Weathersfield Springs, Genesee county; the Rev. Thomas Meachem, Missionary.

[This report was forwarded by the Wardens.]

Congregation: Families 20; (adults 50, children 25,) 75; Baptisms: (adults 2, infants 2,) 4; Confirmed 6; Communicants: Died or removed 3, present number 17; Marriages 4; Burials 6.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz;

			• •	•	•	_
Domestic Missions,	•	•	•	•	•	<b>\$</b> 5 00
.Convention expenses,	•	•	•	•	•	2~13
Diocesan, Education and	Miss	ionary 8	Society,	•	•	2 87
Church objects, -	•	••	•	•	•	7 00
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Rev. Mr. Tullidge resigned the charge of this Parish in July, and removed to Erie, Pennsylvania. Rev. Mr. Meachem has engaged to supply this parish one fourth of his time, and has preached here for three months past in that proportion.

St. Paul's Church, Brownville, Jefferson county; the Rev. FER-DINAND ROGERS, Rector.

Congregation: Families 35; (adults 90, children 60,) 150; Baptisms: (adult 3, infants 8,) 11; Confirmed 2; Communicants added, (admitted 2, received 2,) 4; Removed, 1, present number 35; Marriages 2; Burials 4; Public Services, (on Sundays 110, on other days 3,) 113; Children Catechised, 45; number of times 15; Sunday School 1; Teachers (male 1, female 7,) 8; Pupils (male 12, female 33,) 45.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions, For General objects,	•	•	•	•	•	\$12 00 2 00
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						\$14 00

All Saint's Church, Dexter, Jefferson county; the Rev. FERDINAND ROGERS, Missionary.

Besides the services at Brownville, I have also continued to officiate at the village of Dexter, where a neat house of worship has been erected and consecrated. I shall hereafter divide my time between Brownville and Dexter. I have discontinued the class of scholars which with my other duties I have hitherto had in charge.

Zion Church, Pierrepont Manor, Jefferson county; the Rev. N. WATKINS, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 30; [adults 75, children 25,] 100; Baptisms, [adult 1, infants 4,] 5; Confirmed 7; Communicants added, [admitted 5, received 3,] 8; Removed 1; Present number 44; Burials 3; Public services, [on Sundays 125; on

other days 4 J 129; Children Catechised 15; times, more or less, 26, that is during the continuance of the Sunday School; Sunday School 1; male teachers 3, female teachers 5,] 8; pupils [male 15, female 27,] 42.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missionary Societ	y.	•	•	•	٠,	<b>\$</b> 60 <b>46</b>
Bible and Prayer Book Soc		•	•	•	•	5 60
Domestic Missions,	•	•	•	•		5 00
Episcopal Fund,	•	•	•	•		3 00
Sunday School Union,	•	•	•	•		5 00
Theological Seminary,	•	. •	•	•		11 31
Foreign Missions, .	•	•	•	•		5 00
Diocesan Fund, .	•	•	•	•		1 00
Education Department,	•	•	•	•		10 00
Central Bible and Prayer B	ook So	ciely,	•	•		5 00
Expenses of the Convention		•	•	•		5 00
Tract Society of the Protes	tant Ep	iscopal (	Church	l,		10 60
•						-

\$126 97

The above is our regular monthly collections since January last, with the exception of 15.75, which was taken up in December in obedience to the Bishop's Pastoral Letter, and sent for the Diocesan Missions.

'The attendance of the Congregation on Public Worship, for the past year has been, I think, larger and more regular than in former years, and I think our prospects are encouraging.

Christ Church, Sackett's Harbor, Jefferson county; the Rev. A. C. TREADWAY, Missionary.

Families 32; Baptisms, [adult 1, infants 6,] 7; Communicants, [admitted 3, received 2,] 5; died 1; removed 2; present number 46; Marriages 5; Burials 16, ten of whom were soldiers of 8th U. S. Infantry; Public services, [on Sundays 88, on other days 4,] 92; Sunday School 1; teachers 7; pupils, [male 10, female 26,] 36.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

General Disposable Fund of the Diocese,

**\$34 00** 

The pastoral connexion of the Missionary with this parish, ceased at the date of the present report; the object being to obtain a location more favorable to the health of his family.

Trinity Church, Watertown, Jefferson county; the Rev. J. Y. Fish, Rector.

Congregation: Families 67; Baptisms, (adults 3,) total 23; Confirmed 11—and 11 at Cape Vincent; Communicants, added 8, present number 70; Marriages 4; Barials 7; Public services on the Sundays of the year, and on the holy days; Sunday School has about 80 children, Teachers 17, 5 male and 12 female.

Collections-

Domestic Missions,

\$15 00

In addition to the usual services of Sunday and Holy Days, I have preached eight times at Cape Vincent, twice at Champion, and held a service semi-monthly at Lockport.

St. Paul's Church, Turin, Lewis county; including St. Paul's Chapel at Constableville. (Vacant Church.)

[There is no report from this Parish.]

Trinity Church, Loweille, Lewis county. (Vacant Church.)
[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. Peter's Church, Dansville, Livingston county. (Vacant Church.)

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. Michael's Church, Geneseo, Livingston county; the Rev. LLOYD WINDSOR, Rector.

Congregation: Families about 50; Baptisms: (infants) 11; Communicants, (received 9, added 3,) 12; (removed 8,) Present number 44; Marriages 2; Burials 7.

Public Services: regularly twice on Sundays, and a lecture on Sunday evening in the neighborhood. Lectures also on Wednesday evenings in the Church part of the year. Children catechised occasionally in the Sunday School. The Rector is now forming a class to be catechised monthly on Sundays at the Chancel; believing as he firmly does, that this is the most important movement the Church is now making to regain her ancient position.

Sunday School 1; Teachers 8; Scholars about 30.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

To the Missionary Society of this Diocese,	•	•	<b>\$</b> 16 00
To the Episcopal fund,	•	•	16 01
For the Distribution of Bibles,	•	•	10 00
Unappropriated,	•	•	7 82

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This parish is slowly but surely progressing in a temporal and spiritual point of view. All its debts which have burdened it almost since the Church was erected have been discharged. The number in attendance on the services may safely be said to be on the increase.

St. John's Church, Mount Morris, Livingston county; the Rev. HENRY S. ATTWATER, Missionary.

Congregation: families 36; Baptisms, [adult 1, infants 19,] 20; Communicants added, [admitted 1, received 2,] 3; died or removed 5; Present number 38; Marriages 3; Burials 4; Public services, [on Sundays 107, on other days 19,] 126.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Education and Missio				•	•	4
Bible and Prayer bool	s Societ	y, N. Y.	•	•	•	•
Protestant Episcopal'	Tract S	ociety, N	. Y.,	•	•	9
Episcopal Fund,	. •		•		•	9
Diocesan Fund.	•	•			•	
Domestic Missions,	•		•	•	•	9
Christ Church, Matag	ordas.	Texas.	•	•	•	4

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Besides the above contributions, the Ladies of the congregation, by the means of fairs held during the past and present years, have purchased and presented to the Church a handsome and fine toned organ.

Occasionally I have officiated for a third time on Sunday, as well as on other days, at Moscow and Perry village. In the latter place I have baptized 4 children; always preached to large congregations, and been solicited for more frequent services.

Zion Church, West Avon, Livingston county.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. Thomas' Church, Hamilton, Madison county.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. Stephen's Church, Perryville, Madison county; the Rev. W. M. Weber, M. D., Missionary.

Congregation: Families, about 22; Marriages 2; Burials 4.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan purposes since the	e first of	Dec	ember,	•	15 00
Expenses of Convention,	•	•	•	•	3 00
For a destitute Church in Ohio,		•	•	•	3 25
					21 25

During the winter months, I officiated generally twice on each Sunday. Since that period owing to the state of my health, and the distance of my residence from Perryville, I have preached but once on each Sunday.

The system of monthly collections has been adopted after the recommendation of the Bishop. It is well approved by the friends of the Church. The strength of the Church is but feeble, yet they are willing to do according to their ability.

St. Luke's Church, Brockport, Monroe county; the Rev. Tap. PING R. CHIPMAN, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 45; [adults I14, children 66,] total 180; Baptisms, [adult 1, infants 4,] 5; Confirmed 9; Communicants added, [admitted] 3; Removed 3; present number 34; Marriages 4; Burials 3; Public Services, [on Sundays 107, on other days 3,] 110; Sunday School 1; Teachers, [male 3, female 7,] 10; Pupils, [male 20, female 30,] 50

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Expenses of Convention of 183 Expenses of Convention of 184	0,	•	•	•	3 00 3 00
Education and Missionary Soci	ety,	•	•	•	8 00
Tract Society,	•	•	•	•	2 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	, •	•	•	•	5 00
Domestic Missions, .	•	•	••	•	3 00
•				4	
•					<b>604</b> 00

Another monthly collection, in addition to these, was made, but as the gentlemen who forwarded the collections to the Treasurer kept no account of them, it is impossible to state the object to which that was appropriated. The whole amount contributed is not far from \$26.

Our only plea for any deficiency either in the number or amount of our collections, is our poverty. This is honestly made, and it is hoped it will be received as sufficient. There is nothing of special interest to report in reference to the parish. In our infancy we find it extremely difficult to bear up under the pecuniary pressure of the times; but we have reason for gratitude, that as yet we have not been cast down and that we are enabled to hope for the future. The house in which we meet, and always have met for public worship, still belongs to others. To secure this, would be to human view, to insure the permanence and prosperity of the society. To the attainment of this desirable object, the Missionary intends to direct his special efforts the ensuing year.

I should state, as my apology for omitting to fill up the blank in the report in relation to catechetical instruction, that the Missionary personally superintends the Sunday School; and that the catechism is required to be learned by every pupil.

Trinity Church, Penfield, [Honeoye Falls, and Scottsville,] Monroe county; the Rev. N. F. Bruce, M. D., Missionary.

Congregation: Families 29; Baptisms [infants] 6; Confirmed, [at Honeoye Falls] 6; Communicants 17; Burials 1; Public Services, on Sundays twice always, occasionally three times, frequently on other days

Monthly collections.—Small collections have been made in Scottsville, but from there being no organized parishes it has been impracticable to fulfil that duty regularly.

I commenced Missionary duty immediately after the meeting of the Convention in Rochester last year, officiating from October 1839 to May 1840, alternately in Honeoye Falls, Scottsville and Penfield. From May to the present time, October, I have officiated in Honeoye Falls every other Sunday, and every fourth Sunday in Scottsville and Penfield each. In Honeoye Falls the mission has, thus far, been very successful; from very small beginnings a respectable congregation has been gathered, and a substantial stone Church 62 by 36 feet is now in progress. In Scottsville, I am happy to say, our congregation continues steadily to increase, and I trust the time is not far distant when an Episcopal Church will be organized there. It is very desirable that the services of the Missionary should be confined to these two places, but at present his remuneration is so small that he has not been able to devote his attention to these two places exclusively. In Pensield the Church has still left a few tried and devoted friends, who earnestly desire her prosperity; the attendance on our services here is respectable. During the year terminating on the 15th Oct. your Missionary has received \$308.97. Of this sum \$60 have been contributed by the Ladies Society of St. Luke's Church, Rochester, and \$113.97 by the three stations, Honeove Falls, Scousville and Penfield. I must not however omit to state that from the 15th of May a subscription has been set on foot at Honenye Falls, by which they have raised the sum of \$150 for one year towards the support of a Missionary, provided his services could be rendered half the time, which they have been accordingly.

Grace Church, Rochester, Monroe county; the Rev. W. VAN ZANDT, Rector.

Congregation: Families 100; (adults 283, children 148,) total 430; Baptisms (adults 4, infants 22,) 26; Communicants added, (admitted 17, received 20,) 41; (Died 3; Removed 21; suspended 1,) 25; Present number 140; Marriages 9; Burials 14; Parochial visitations 606; Public services, Sundays 2; on other days 3 half the year; Children catechised 5 times in open Church; Sunday School 1; (male teachers 5, female teachers 11) 16; pupils, [male 55, female 45,] total 100,

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Education,	•	•	•	•	<b>\$17 00</b>
Bible and Prayer Book Soci	ety,	•	•	•	9 00
Tract Society, .	•		•		7 00
Protestant Episcopal Sunday	7 Scho	ol Unio	n,	•	7 00
Episcopal Fund, .	•	•	•	•	5 00
Theological Seminary,	•	•	•	•	5 00
Diocesan Missions, .	•	•	•	•	65 70
				-	\$115 70

During the season of Lent, lectures were delivered every Wednesday and Friday and every day during Passion Week.

The Bible Classes and Evening Lectures omitted during the warm season.

The Ladies' Society is still in operation. The Church is flourishing and still continues united and happy. I cannot say it has suffered materially by the many removals, except in one or two cases.

The smallness of the sum contributed for Church objects, arises from the fact that we are not rich, and an earnest desire to place the Church upon a firm foundation.

### St. Luke's Church, Rochester, Monroe county; the Rev. HENRY J. WHITEHOUSE, D. D., Rector.

Congregation: Families 170; Baptisms, (adults 4, infants 79,) 83; Communicants added 35; Died 6, removed 8, 14; present number about 390; Marriages 22; Burials 20.

Public Services (on Sundays 103, on other days 66,) 169; Children catechised about half the year.

Sunday Schools 2; Teachers (male 22, female 20,) 42; Pupils 325.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

The monthly collections have	peer made	and al	ppropries	od en ic	offoms, Afr	•
To Diocean Missions,	•	•	•	•	<b>\$22</b> 0 50	
Diocesan Expenses, .	•	1	•	•	21 00	
						<b>\$</b> 241 50
Other collections. By "You	ing Ladies'	Benev	olent So	ciety:"	•	
To Diocesan Missions,		•	•	•	<b>\$</b> 50 00	
To Brockport, .		•	•	•	30 00	
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Education, .	•	•	•	•	60 00	
						<b>\$150 60</b>
From the Congregation,—						
To Domestic Missions.	•	•	•	•	\$145 00	
To Foreign Missions,	•	•	•	•	145 00	i
To Spirit of Missions,	_	•	•	•	50 00	1
To General Theological	Seminary,	•	•	•	30 00	
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The state of this congregation continues by God's blessing peaceful and vigorous. The weekly Lectures, 33 in number, have been on the Prophet Isaiah; adopting the chronological arrangement of the chapters. In the pulpit duties, have been delivered about 40 sermons on the First Epistle of St. Peter; and the subject of the course of Lent Lectures, (being the ninth,) was "The Holy Spirit." These were seventeen in number on the Wednesdays and Fridays of that season.

## St. Paul's Church, Lewiston, Niagara county; the Rev. Rufus Murray, Rector.

Congregation: Families 22; [adults 4, children 62,] 116; Baptisms [infants] 15; Confirmed 7; Communicants added, [received] 3; Died or Removed 7; Present number 33; Marriages 10; Burials 12; Public Services, [on Sundays 102, on other days 25,] 127; Children Catechised, in Sunday school by Teachers and Rector; Sunday school 1; Teachers, [male 1, female 4,] 5; Pupils, [male 10, female 40,] 50.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For expenses of Conve			•	•	•	6 00
Education and Mission	•	•	•	3 00		
Increase of the Diocess		and,	•	•	•	3 00
Theological Seminary,		•	•	•	•	2 00
Bishop's Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	3 00
General Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	3 00

**\$20 00** 

By the blessing of the Divine Head of the Church, this parish continues prosperous and permanent; though during the past year death, in the dispensation of God, has removed many of our congregation that were near and dear to us; but thanks be to God, we have the consolation not to sorrow as those who have no hope, in that they all evinced their Christian resignation, and died in the triumphs of the Gospel faith, with full reliance and trust in the merits of the Saviour.

I have held services at Manchester, Niagara Falls, (supplied now by the services

of the Rev. Mr Porter,) Youngstown and Fort Niagara; the officers of which, are decidedly in favor of the services of the Church, and desirous of their continuance as often as practicable with my other engagements; the soldiers too, are remarkably attentive, and though the monotony and idle hours of a camp life opens the way for vice and immorality, yet by the blessing of God, the Gospel faithfully exhibited, may redeend to their evarianting good.

The ladies of the parish have commenced a sewing society, which promises to be productive of much benefit. At a fair recently held in the parish, by six young girls, members of the Sunday school, the effects and proceeds of a sewing society of their own, which had been in operation but a few weeks, they obtained the amount of thirty two dollars, which they design principally for the purchase of Sunday School books, which speaks much to their praise, and shows how the young (as missionaries to the Church,) can appropriate their leisure hours to the promotion of truth, virtue, and religion.

Christ Church, Lockport, Niagara county; the Rev. EBENEZER H. CRESSEY, Rector.

Congregation: Families about 60; Baptisms (adults 3, infants 29,) total 32; Confirmed 5; Communicants added, (admitted 6, received 8,) total 14; died or removed 10; present number 49; Marriages 3; Burials 8; Public Services, (on Sundays 104, on other days 15,) total 119; Children catechised 8 times; Sunday School 1; Teachers 7; Pupils 40.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Sunday School		Libraries,	•	•	•	15 89
Education Missionaries	Diocesan.	•	•	•	•	10 00
Missionaries 5	2.000	•	•	•	•	10 00
						35 89

Parish Library about 60 volumes; Bible Class 6 months in the year; weekly lestures during Lent, and public service daily in Passion Week.

Grace Church, Lockport, Niagara county; the Rev. GEORGE DEN-ISON, Rector.

Congregation: Families say 75; [adults 150, children 60,] 210; Baptisms [infants] 20; Confirmed 11; Communicants added, [admitted 9, received 6,] 15; Died or Removed 9; Present number 59; Marriages 7; Burials 20; Public Services, [on Sundays 107, on other days 7,] 114; Children Catechised 60; times 50; Sunday School 1; Teachers [male 6, female 8,] 14; Pupils 60; Sunday School books 200.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz :

•				•		•	
Parish Library,	•	•	•		•	87	25
Episcopal Fund,	•	•	•	•	•		00
Diocesan Fund,	•	•	•	•	•		00
Education Fund of the	Educat	ion and	Mission	ary Soc	ciety,	13	00
Missionary Fund of the	Educa	tion and	d Missio	nary S	ociety		Oσ
Foreign Missions,	•	•	•	•	•	10	00
Domestic Missions,	•	•	•	•	•		00
Theological Seminary,	_	•	•	•	•	_	00
Parochial objects [about	ij	•	•	•.	•	1200	00

**\$12**55 **25** 

This parish has during the year completed a subscription, sufficient to pay the debt with which it has been heretofore burdened. In building their Church and paying their debts, this society has never received \$50 aid from beyond its own borders; and this day voluntarily ceases to be a Missienary station.

In regard to its spiritual concerns, there is nothing remarkable. The effect of the political excitement of the day, upon both the congregation and communicants, is evidently unhappy.

St. Luke's Church, Royalton, Niagara county; the Rev. EBENE-ZBR H. CRESSEY, Officiating Minister.\*

I have given occasional services to this parish during the year. Divine service has been maintained by Lay reading on the morning of each Sunday, to which I have been able generally to add the evening service and a sermon. The congregations have uniformly been respectable in numbers and attentive to the ministrations of the Church. One infant baptism. The communion administered once, at which there were present 15 communicants. The parish greatly needs the full and regular services of a clergyman, who would be gladly received, and whose field of labor would be at once interesting and encouraging.

Christ Church, Bridgewater, Oneida county; the Rev. SETH DAVIS, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 13; (adults 38, children 34,) total 72; Baptisms, (Infant 1;) Confirmed 6; Communicants (admitted) 7; present number 10; Marriage 1; Burials 3; Public Services, on Sundays for half of the time, always 2; and for some part of the year 3; on other days for a part of the year, 1; making in all not far from 75 services; Children catechised always when they could be assembled.

The Sunday School has been so small that there has been no regular organization. The prospect is more encouraging in this department of benevolence at present than it has been heretofore, as we have now a more permanent place of worship. The monthly collections have not as yet been made in this parish.

This parish has been organized but one year. At the time of its organization there was not a communicant of the Church in the place. A neat and convenient chapel has since been erected, and a respectable and attentive congregation regularly assemble whenever there are services. A small band of communicants now meet around the alter to receive the consecrated symbols of a Saviour's dying love.

St. Paul's Church, Holland Patent, Oneida county; the Rev. Stephen McHuch, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 26; Baptisms [infants] 5; Communicants added, [received] 1; Removed 1; Present number 37; Marriages 5; Burlals 2; Public Services on Sundays 1, at times 2; Sunday School 1; Teachers (male 2, female 3,) 5; Pupils 24.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

I have, as heretofore, given a morning service on each Sunday at Holland Patent, at times an evening service also. I have officiated on Good Friday, and my impression is, on Ash Wednesday, but am not fully certain. As it respects catechetical examinations I cannot get the children in before morning service, and having to proceed to Oriskany immediately after its termination, I have been hitherto prevented from attending to this very important part of my duty in such a way as I could wish. The number in attendance on the ministrations of the Church have been steadily increasing since the date of my last report, and I have daily proofs that the prejudices which once existed against the Church here are removing very fast, and from being much the smallest in number we are now about as numerically strong, as it regards attendance on the services of the sanctuary, as any other congregation in the village; still there is much room for improvement, more especially in getting our hearers and supporters to be more intimately connected with us in the bond of faith; and our trust is that our Divine Head will shew them by his spirit the necessity of being so. With such a confidence our determination is to labor and faint not.

<sup>\*</sup>The Rev. Stephen Douglass has since been appointed the Missionary at this station.

St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, Oneida county; the Rev. HENRY L. STORES, Rector.

Congregation: Families 35; [adults 119, children 56, individuals composing parts of families 21,] total 196; Baptisms [adults 2, infants 13,] 15; Confirmed 15; Communicants added [admitted 12, received 3,] 15; Died 1; Present number 57; Marriages 7; Burials 6; Public Services [on Sundays 103, on other days 33,] total 136; The children are catechised and examined in the studies they pursue in the Sunday School every Sunday; Sunday School 1; Teachers [male 4, female 9,] 13; Pupils [male 20, female 41,] 61.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,	•	•	•	•	•	<b>9</b> 5	05
Domestic Missions,	•	•	•	•	•	8	53
Church objects,	•	•	•	•	•	5	13
Episcopal Fund,	•	•	•		•	5	00
Education and Mission	ery So	ciety,			•	3	40
Michaelle ation or con-		1 - 4 1	ka <b>m</b> esta	- 4- 50		930	10
The collection as reco was taken for th	e Edu	cation a	nd Missi	ionary s	society,	<b>7. 9</b> 6	81
The Ladies' Missionar	y Socie	ety for I	oreign	Mission	B	4	00
The proceeds of a fair	: beld i	n the pe	rish,	•	•	100	00
Tract Society, .	•	•	. •	•	•	2	00
For parish objects,	•	•	•	•	•	17	90
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St. Peter's Church, Oriskany, Oneida county; the Rev. STEPHEN McHugh, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 33; Baptisms (infants) 5; Communicants added (received) 3; Removed 2; Present number 50; Married 1; Burials 3; Public Services on Sundays 2.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows:

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I have continued to officiate in this parish as formerly reported. Of late the number who attend on Sundays has been increased; I have also, as before stated, officiated in the village of Hampton, and have made arrangements for giving them one service in each month. I am happy to say I am favorably received by all denominations of Christians there. Oriskany being a factory village, and feeling severely the pressure of the times, the amount of contributions for Church objects are much smaller than they otherwise would be. The ladies of the congregation have succeeded in raising a sum towards the liquidation of a long standing debt. I trust they will be able to discharge it all during the present year. On the whole I have much cause for gratitude as it respects the present prospects of this parish.

St. Paul's Church, Paris, Oneida county; the Rev. HENRY PRCK, Rector.

Congregation: Families 37; (adults 112, children 56,) total 168; Baptisms (adults 2, children 9,) total 11; Confirmed 7; Communicants added 12; Died 1; whole number 47; Marriages 2; Burials 16; Public Services (Sundays 102, other days 18,) 120.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Bible and Preyer	Book Society,	•	•	•	• 84 73
For Church Objects,	•	•	•	•	18 13
Theological Seminary	•	•	•	•	2 37
					000 00

Zion Church, Rome, Oneida county; the Rev. NATHAN B. Burgess, late Missionary.

Baptisms (adults 4, children 5,) 9; Confirmed 4; Communicants (admitted) 6; Died 2, Removed 3; Present number 29; Burials 10.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz :

Missionary Fund of the Diocese,	•	•	•	<b>\$16</b>	35
Bibles, Prayer Books and Tracts,	•	•	•	4	00
Episcopal Fund,	•	•		5	<b>3</b> 3
Uncertain how appropriated, .	•	• ,	•	4	08
•				829	76

Since my last report I continued to officiate in this Church till 20th of April last. During the winter the Rev. H. Williams officiated a part of the time. Service was performed twice on Sundays, and on the principal Holy Days once, with a few occasional lectures. Since I resigned on the 20th April, I have preached a number of times in the Diocese of New York—a few Sundays I-have attended with other Clergymen, taken a part in the service, and preached once on each Sunday—three times I have preached in this Church—twice at Hamilton—twice at Weterville; the remainder of my service has been given to Camden, where there are a number of Church families, but the Church is not yet organized. Twice in the last named place, have I been taken sick and compelled to return home; the last time was somewhat serious. I was taken ill on the 20th of August last, and for five long weeks have I been unable to attend Church. But I am now convalescent; and it is to be hoped, through the blessing of God, my health will soon be fally restored.

Grace Church, Utica, Oneida county; the Rev. Albert C. Patterson, Rector.

Congregation: Families 62; (adults 154, children, 136,) total 290; Baptisms (adults 5, infants 17,) total 22; Confirmed 14; Communicants added (admitted 15, received 23,) total 38; Remeved 5; present number 80; Marriages 7; Burials 1; Public Services (on Sundays 103; on other days 44,) total 147; Children catechised 12 times; Sunday School 1: Teachers (male 7, female 13,) total 20; Pupils (male 31, female 49,) total 80.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

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For Diocesan Fund, .	•	•	•	•	<b>\$</b> 15	00
For Episcopal Fund, .	•	•	•	•	12	20
For Education Fund of I	Mis. and E	ducation	Soc. (	of N. Y.,	4	25
Bible and Prayer Sook S	loc. of Cer	stral Ne	w York	<b>.</b>	10	57
For Missions in the Dioce						98
Agreeably to the request was made in Decemb						
tion Society of New	York,		•	•	30	00
There have been raised f	for parish	objects (	eriore	ive of th	10	
Rector's salary,) .					1620	11
					21741	

The Church is wholly paid for, and the parish is entirely free from debt. During the past year, as before, the Festivals and Fasts have been observed.

Trinity Church, Utica, Oneida county; the Rev. PIERRE A. PROAL, D. D., Rector.

The congregation consists of 150 families; Baptisms (adults 3, infants 15,) total 18; Communicants added (admitted 13, received 10,) 23; Died 1; Removed 16; Present number 153; Marriages 6; Burials 15; Public Services (on Sundays 116, on

other days 44,) total 160; Children catechised at stated periods during the year. Sunday Schools (infant school 1.) 2; (male teachers 6, female teachers 11,) total 17; Pupils (male 40, female 80,) 120.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows:

To disposable fund for Chu	rch obj	ecte	•	•	\$107 6	4	
To Education and Mission			,	•	20 0	10	
New York Protestant Epis			ciety.	•	10 1	.6	4
To Bible and Prayer Book	Societ	y of Ce	atral Ne	w York.	10 1	6	
To Theological Seminary.		•	•		16 8	1	
Foreign Missions	•	•	•	•	2 0	0	
•						- 166	77
In addition to the stated means have been contributed and Michaelian and Michaeli	buted t	y the p	ariob, vi	E:		•	
To the Education and Mis	BOURTY	Conmi	111 1401	v Kork,	<b>37</b> 0		
To public charity infant ec	тоог,		•	•	17 1	0	
Parochial objects, (exclusive the parish,)	. •	O OLGINE	·	Dage of	1218 0	0 1273	19
						<b>8</b> 1438	96

The parish continues under the Divine blessing prosperous and happy. A more united and kind people no paster need desire. The numerical attendance upon the services, which are the same as reported in former years, is larger than at any previous period; and a gratifying interest and attention characterize the congregation.

Trinity Church, Fayetteville, Onondaga county; the Rev. John P. Fenner, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 23; [adults 69, children 48.] 117; Baptisms [adults 4, infants 11,] 15; Communicants, added [admitted 4, received 4,] 8; Died or Removed 3; Present number 36; Marriages 2; Burials 2; Sunday School 1; Teachers, [male 5; female 5,] 10; Pupils, [male 20; female 17,] total 37.

The monthly Collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Church objects in the Diocese, For the Education fund of the Education and Miss. Society, For the Missionary fund of do de Bible and Prayer Book Society of Central New York,	\$23 92 5 00 5 79 4 50
•• ·	<b>\$</b> 39 <b>2</b> 1

The Missionary regrets that he can not state the precise number of Public Services, &c.: a defect which will be remedied in future reports. Instead thereof, he states that the prescribed services of the Church have been regularly performed on Sundays, and sermons delivered, as also on the principal Festival and Fast-days. The Rev. S. G. Appleton of Christ Church Manlius, kindly tendered his services on a ww Sanday evenings, when the Missionary was indisposed; and resort to lay reading has been sometimes necessary. The Sunday School has been catechised by the Missionary and by the Superintendent, and the catechism has been taught by the Teachers. The increased attendance of the congregation reported last year, has been maintained. The Ladies sewing circle continues its operations. More than lifty Common Prayer Books have been circulated, about one half by sale, and the other half by gift. A pair of large Astral Lamps have been presented by two gentlemen of the congregation for the use of the choir; and four side lamps by others, for the body of the Church; two pair of kneeling stools for the Chancel, the reading desk, and the Pulpit, have been given by a female communicant. The ladies generally have carpeted and curtained the vestry room. One male communicant has furnished it with a table, another with a couple of chairs, and another with a stove. In view of the large number of places of public worship according to the population, the progress of the Church has equalled reasonable expectation. The unity and zeal which prevail are highly commendable, and the prospect is still more encouraging than at the time of the last report.

Apostolic Church, Geddes, Onondaga County; the Rev. MARSHALL WRITING, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 21; Baptisms (infant) 1; Communicants 9; Marriages 3; Burials 3; Public Services (on Sundays 26, on other days 2,) total 28.

Collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

To Missionary branch of Education and Missionary Society, \$3 00

During the winter I held only occasional services in this Church. From the early part of May, when I removed my family to this village, until the present time, I have with a single exception, held one service on each Sunday.

St. 'Mark's Church, Jamesvile, Onondaga county; the Rev. STEPHEN C. MILLETT, Rector.

Congregation: Families 16; (adults 48, children 16,) total 64; Baptisms (adult 1, infants 2,) 3; Communicants added (admitted 1, Removed 1,) Present number 21; Marriage 1; Burials 2; Public Services (on Sundays 52, on other days 8,) 60.

Monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For the Missionary and Ed	ucation	Society,	•	•	\$10 00
For the Diocesan Fund,	•	•	•	•	1 75 1 25
For the Episcopal Fund,	•	•	•	•	1 25
•					<b>8</b> 13 00

The Episcopalians in this place are few in number, but it gives me pleasure to say that they manifest a good degree of interest in the services of the Church. A Bible class has been instituted which occupies the place of a Sunday school.

Christ Church, Manlius, Onondaga county; the Rev. SAMUEL G. APPLETON, Rector.

Congregation: Families 49; [adults 140, children 93,] total 233; Baptisms [adult 1, infants 20,] 21; Cenfirmed 9; Communicants added [admitted 13, received 2,] 15; died or removed 10; present number 80; Marriages 4; Burials 12; Children cate-chised 4 times; Sunday school 1; Teachers [male 4, female 9,] 13; Pupils [male 21, female 33,] 54.

Monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

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Diocesan Missions, .	•	•	•	•	<b>\$</b> 45 50
Episcopal Fund, General Fund of the Di	•	•	•	•	2 00
General Fund of the Di	00000.	•	•	•	4 00
Bible and Prayer Book 8	Society ce	ntral pa	rt of Ne	w York,	4 00
Sunday School Union,	•	•	•	•	8 00
Tract Society, .	•	•	•	•	8 00
General Theological Sen Domestic Missions Dome	ninary,	•	•	•	5 00
Domestic Missions Dome	etic and F	oreign l	Missiona	ry Board,	10 00
Ladies' Sewing Society,	towards ti	he parci	ase of a	parsonage	117 00
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The Church has been regularly opened for Divine service twice every Sunday, and on the Wednesdays and Fridays of Lent. Since Advent Sunday of the present year, all the Festivals and Fasts of the Church have been publicly observed.

I have officiated twice in the Methodist Chapel in Cazenovia, Madison county, where there is a favorable opening for the establishment of the Charch. I have performed Divine service, and preached once also in the Methodist Chapel in Fabius, Opendaga county, where are several families of Episcopalians.

# 21. John's Church, Marcellus, Onondaga county; the Rev. THOMAS J. RUGER, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 44; [adults 187, children 77,] 264; Baptisma [infants] 4; Communicants added (admitted 6, received 2,) 8; Present number 27; Marriages 3; Burials 5; Public Services (on Sundays 212, on other days 13,) 225; Children catechised—the Catechism regularly taught the children on Sundays in the Sunday School; Sunday School 1; Teachers [male 4, female 3,] 7; Pupils (male 17, female 15,) 32.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Education and			'und,	. •	•	•	24 00
Expenses of C	onven	tion.	. D	Dooks	G	.do_ 601	2 85
Collections at	ofner	mnes 10	r rrayer	DOOKS	and Dal	igra oci	
Books,	•	•	•	•	•	•	10 35
							<b>800</b> 00

The Church in this place has been steadily though not as rapidly increasing the past year as I could wish. Divine service has usually been well attended; the gospel has in some few instances been made the power of God to the salvation of sinners who, for the first time, have heartily trusted in Christ, and has been the means of ministering more grace to those who had been before "the children of God by faith in Jesus Christ." But also! how few have believed our report!

By a reference to preceding reports from the parish of St. John's Church, it will be seen that the amount contributed this year, exceeds considerably that of former years.

Zion Church, Onondaga, Onondaga county; the Rev. MARSHALL WHITING, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 41; Baptisms [infants] 15; Communicants, Died or Removed since last reported 10; Present number 24; Marriages 5; Burials 6; Public Services (on Sundays 60, on other days 8,) 68; Children catechised occasionally; Sunday School 1; Teachers (male 2, female 5,) 7; Pupils (male 12, female 18,) 30.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Education Branch Missionary "	of Education	on and	Mission	ary Soc	iety,	-	00 50
Diocesan Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	2	00
African Mission, Church objects,	•	•	•	•	•	_	00 51
Collections in December		d	Wissian	C			_
Missionary Branch Contingent expens	1 of <b>Fagges</b> ti	• OH SUG	Mileron	myy 006	ioty,	2	50
			•		•	200	41

I resumed the charge of this parish on the 10th of November last. Since that date I have divided my time between this parish and that at Geddes. From November until April, I usually held two services on Sundays at the Hill, and occasionally one at Geddes. Since that time, I have held one on each Sunday, and a Bible class at the former place, and since the first of May one on each Sunday at the latter. Monthly collections have been taken up in conformity to the resolution of the last Convention.

Christ Church, Pompey, Onondaga county; the Rev. STEPHEN C. MILLETT, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 26; [adults 75, children 18,] 93; Baptisms [adults] 3;

Communicants added (admitted) 3; died or removed 3; present number 32; Marriage 1; Burials 2; Public Services [on Sundays 52, on other days 8,] 60.

Monthly Collections, have been made and appropriated as follows, vis:

For the Missionary and Ed	ducation Sc	ciety,	•	•	\$4 00
For the Diocesan Fund,	•	•	•	•	1 25
For the Episcopal Fund,	•	•	•	•	1 15
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During the past year the ladies of this society have made very commendable exertions for the benefit of the parish, and have procured a carpet for the chancel and trimmings for the altar, which, together with some alterations, have added much to the beauty of that part of the Church. A Bible class in this parish is well attended. Services have been held by me in other places, as often as my health and engagements would permit.

St. James' Church, Skaneateles, Onondaga county; the Rev. JOSEPH T. CLARK, Rector.

Congregation: Families 44; (adults 138, children 64,) 202; Baptisms (infants) 5; Communicants added (admitted 9, received 8,) 17; died or removed 6; Present Rumber 53; Marriages 9; Burials 9; Public Services (on Sundays 106, on other days 10,) 116; Sunday School 1; Teachers (male 1, female 8,) 9; Pupils 50.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, vis:

For Missionary and Education Society, For expenses of the Convention,	<b>9</b> 15 00 <b>5</b> 00
•	. —— 20 00
Besides which the Vestry have appropriated, to cancel some arrearages of debt against the parish,	50 64
•	<b>\$</b> 70.64

It is proper to state that the parish has but just relinquished the missionary stipend and resolved, if possible, to sustain itself, grateful for the fostering care which it has received, and hoping in future that our monthly collections can be more exclusively appropriated to Church objects other than those of the parish.

I have uniformly given instruction on Sundays in the Sunday school, in which I have made it a part to question the several classes as I had opportunity upon the catechism.

St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, Onondaga county; the Rev. John B. Gallagher, Minister.

Baptisms (adults 7, infants 22,) 29; Confirmed 12; Communicants added (admitted 18, received 16,) 34; died or removed, 7; present number 70; Marriages 2; Burials 14; Sunday school 1; Teachers (male 5, female 10,) 15; Pupils (male 20, female 43,) 63.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

General Fund,	_	-	•	<b>\$</b> 9 47
Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	-	44 75
Episcopal Fund	-	-	-	14 06
General Theological Seminary,	-	_	-	15 25
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				<b>\$</b> 83 53

At the date of the last annual report of the state of this parish, the Rev. W. Walton was efficiating during my absence on account of health. He continued to officiate until 1st of December. Finding myself on my return obliged to resort to a southern climate, I resigned the charge, which was temporarily supplied for three menths prior to last May, when I accepted an invitation to resume it. The parish is now probably in a more vigorous and promising condition than at any former period. The increase of the congregation has been for some time prevented by the inefficiency of Church accommodations, a difficulty which it is expected will be remedied by the erection of a new and more commodious edifice during the ensuing year.

Grace Church. Baldwinsville, Onondaga county; the Rev. Grorer B. Engle, Missionary.

Communicants 12; Marriage 1; Sunday School 1; Teachers (male 3, female 3,) 6; Pupils 20.

The menthly collections have been made and a ppropriated as follows, viz:

Efforts are making to prepare for building a Church next Spring. My time as Missionary at Fulton and Baldwinsville, has been equally divided between those two places, giving third services to the congregation at Nut Hill.

Public Services [on Sundays 136, on other days 21,] 157; Burials 3; Baptisms [adults 2, infants 9,] 11.

St. John's Church, Canandaigua, Ontario county; the Rev. AUGUSTINE P. PREVEST, Rector.

[There is no Report from this Parish.]

Trinity Church, Centrefield, Ontario county; the Rev. W. W. HICKOX, Missionary.

Families 35; Baptisms (adults 5, infants 18,) 23; Confirmed 15; Communicants added 4; Removed 1; Present number 31; Marriages out of the parish 2; Burials out of the parish 2; Public Services (on Sundays 145, on other days 29,) 174; Children catechised several times in the course of the year; Sunday School 1; Teachers 5; Pupils 30.

Collections.—Few have been taken up. For several years there has been a benevolent Society in existence in the parish; a part of whose funds are appropriated to Church objects. The amount of money so raised with the few collections at East Bloomfield and Centrefield, is about \$30.

This Report includes the time since Sept. 8, 1839, when the present Missionary entered this field; one half of whose time has been given to East Bloomfield, where en the 21st of last month, a Church was duly organized by the name of "Zion Church, East Bloomfield." Nine of the Communicants above reported—2 adult baptisms, 14 of the children and 8 of the number confirmed may now be considered as pertaining to that parish. It is gratifying also to add that measures are in operation to purchase the Universalist house in which this congregation has worshiped the past year, and that the amount is nearly subscribed for that object.

Lectures have also been delivered on Wednesdays and Fridays through Lent at Centrefield which were attended on the part of the communicants with most praiseworthy punctuality. On the whole, your Missionary has been blessed, and the promise of the great Head of the Church verified, "Lo, I am with you."

Trinity Church, Geneva, Ontario county; the Rev. PIERRE P. IRVING, Rector.

Congregation: Families 110; (adults 286, children 172,) 458; Baptisms (adults 9, infants 19,) 28; Confirmed 27 en two occasions; Communicants added (admitted 26, received 16,) 42; Died or Removed 8; Present number 188; Marriages 7; Burials 16; Public Services, (on Sundays 104, on ether days 39,) total 143; Children cateshized 42 times; Bible Class from October to Ash Wednesday; Sunday Schools 3;

Teachers (male 10, female 12,) 22; Pupils (male 50, female 60,) 110; Average attendance of Pupils 80.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,	_	_	_	-	-	150	00
Domestic Missions,	_	•	_	<b>=</b>	-	100	
Parish purposes,		-	-	-		85	
Sunday School of the I	Parish,		-	-	-	62	73
Education Fund.	_ `	_	_	_	-	<b>30</b>	00
Diocesan Fund.	-	_	-	-	-	20	00
Episcopal Fund.	-	-	-	-	-	20	00
Church at Fulton, N.	Y.,	_	-	-	-	20	00
Bible and Prayer Book		Y.	-	-	<b>-</b>	10	00
General Theological S			-	-	+	10	00
Episcopal Tract Sociel		_		•••	-	10	00
Education of a Theolog	gical 8	tudent.		_	_	28	00
Unappropriated,	-	-		-	-	21	88
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Parish Library, 300 volumes-Sunday School Library, 275 volumes.

St. Paul's Church, Richmond, Ontario county; the Rev. Thomas Meachem, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 23; [adults 60, children 20,] 80; Baptisms [infants] 3; Confirmed 1; Communicants added [admitted] 1; present number 25; Burial 1; Public Services [on Sundays 116, on other days 15,] 131; Children catecinised 4 times; Sunday school: Teachers [male 2, female 1,] 3; Pupils [male 7, female 5,] 13.

Monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz;

Missionary and Educ	stien	Society,	-	_	-	<b>\$</b> 21 <b>05</b>
Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	- •	-	1 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	•	•	_	3 00
Episcopal Fund,	_	-	-	-	-	. 2 00
Expenses of Convention	D,	-	-	-	•••	75
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Since my report of last year I have continued my services at Richmond three fourths of the time, and have generally been absent on missionary duty the other fourth. Rev. Mr. Pullidge having relinquished the charge of St. Clement's Church, Weathersfield Springs, Geneses county, every fourth Sunday is devoted to that parish.

St. John's Church, Vienna, Ontario county; the Rev. Erastus Spalding, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 35; (adults 79, children 70,) 149; Baptisms (adult 1, infants 6,) 7; Confirmed 3; Communicants added (admitted) 1; Removed 1; Present number 10; Marriages 3; Burials 3; Public Services [on Sundays 46, on other days 1,] 47; Children catechised 35 times; Sunday School 1; Teachers [male 3, female 3,] 6; Pupils 35.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

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For Diocesan Missions,		-		-	-	1 46
For Education, -	-	-	-	-	-	1 60
Diocesan Fund, -	_	-	-	-	-	1 50
For Church objects,	-	-	-	-	-	2 62
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In regard to this station, I have to remark that we started last spring with favorable prospects for a Church; but as yet we have none erected or began. Nor is this all. The prospects at present are quite discouraging. Still I am not altogether without some hope. I shall use my best endeavors to accomplish so desirable a purpose.

Fer without Church accommodation here, it will be useless much longer to centinue this a station. But may the Lord direct and bless. During the year that is past, I have officiated much as formerly. In addition I have officiated at Newark some four or five times, and once at Lockville. There is something at Newark that appears encouraging, and were it not for the extreme pecuniary pressure, I think it might not be an unfavorable time to attempt to establish the Church there.

St. John's Church, Medina, Orleans county.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

Trinity Church, Constantia, Oswego county. [Vacant Church.]

[There is no report from this parish.]

Zion Church, Fulton, Oswego county; the Rev. Gro. B. Engl., Missionary.

Baptisms (adults 2, infants 2,) 4: Confirmed 4; Communicants added (admitted) 6; Removed 4; Present number 22; Marriages 2; Burials 2.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Since January, I have officiated, in a third service, in Granby about five miles from this place, to very attentive congregations, worshiping in a school house. This congregation became organized on the 29th of June. It is expected that they will erect a house for public worship next spring. The services here have been once in two weeks. I have also given like third services during the year to the congregation at Nut Hill. Here I baptized 4 children, and at Cazenovia 2.

Christ Church, Oswego, Oswego county; the Rev. John McCarty, Rector.

. Congregation: Families 65; [adults 250, children 150,] total 400; Baptisms [infants,] 28; Confirmed 20; Communicants added [admitted 5, received 1,] 6; Died or removed 6; Present number 95; Marriages 7; Burials 11; Public Services [on Sundays 100, on other days 12] total 112; Sunday School 1; Teachers [male 3, female 6,] 9; Pupils [male 30, female 45,] 75.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz: |

For Diocesan Mission For Education, For General Fund,	15,	•	•	•	•	\$10 10 7 00 80 01
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The finetuating state of the population of the place and of the Congregation, prevents an accurate enumeration of the number of families, adults and children belonging to the parish. The children are not catechised but in the Sunday School.

Trinity Church, Seneca Falls, Seneca county; the Rev. CHARLES G. ACLY, Rector.

Congregation: Families 48; [adults 131, children 58,] 189; Baptisms [infants,] 12; Confirmed 7; Communicants added [admitted,] 10; Removed 2; Present number 40; Marriages 6; Burials 3; Public services [on Sundays 102, on other days 5,)

167; Children catechised, the number of times not remembered; Sunday School 1; Teachers [male 6, female 7,] 13; Pupils [male 25, female 35,] 60.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Education and Missionary For Bible and Common Praye			7.	•	\$10 00 4 28
For Tract Society, For Domestic Missions,	•	•	•	•	3 87 4 60
For Expenses of Convention,		•	•	•	2 25
					<b>\$</b> 95 00

The system of monthly collections was in operation in this Parish previously to its being adopted by the Convention. We have relied, and do still rely upon this source to defray the contingent expenses of the Church. And what we have not needed for this purpose, we have contributed to the above mentioned objects.

A Catechetical class was formed a short time since to the number of 15. These young persons, varying in age from 12 to 20 years, attend the Rector every Sunday afternoon. Their recitations at the present time, are from Hobart's "Companion of the Book of Common Prayer."

St. Paul's Church, Waterloo, Seneca county; the Rev. Eli Wheeler, Rector.

Families [number of children not ascertained] 70; Baptisms [children] 16; Communicants [admitted 3, received 1,] 4; Died 1; Present number 47; Marriages 2; Burials 6]; Public Services [on Sundays 100, on other days 16,] 116; Children Catechised—number of times not remembered; Sunday School 1; Teachers [male 5, female 12,] 17; Pupils (male 45, female 41,) 86.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Attached to the Sunday School, are a Teacher's meeting and Bible Class, consisting of about 50 members, who meet every Friday evening.

St. Thomas' Church, Bath, Steuben county; the Rev. PHINEHAS. L. WHIPPLE, Rector.

Congregation: Families 50; [adults 130, children 121,] 251; Baptisms [adults 4, infants 13,] 17; Confirmed 7; Communicants added [admitted 5, received 2,] 7; Died 3; Present number 57; Burials 3; Children Catechised 10 or 12 times by former Rector.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Church objects, For Sunday School of the Parish,	•	•	•	<b>\$</b> 27 €9 5 31
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The above is the joint report of the fermer Rector, the Rev. W. W. Bostwick, whose connection with the parish expired on the 1st of July, and of the present Rector who commenced his services on the 16th of August. A considerable number of the families and communicants enumerated in the above report are Irish emigrants, who reside several miles from the parish Church, and whose attendance on account of the distance is only occasional. In place of the regular Sunday School the present Rector has commenced a course of exercises without the aid of other teachers, on the eatechism, with scriptural proofs, which are committed to memory in connection with short portions of the catechisms accompanied with conversational explanations by the Rector. The success of this plan will be hereafter given.

St. James' Church, Hammondsport, Steuben county; the Rev. WILLIAM W. BOSTWICK, Rector.

Congregation: Families 25; (adults 71, children 60,) 131; Baptisms (infants) 1; Confirmed 5; Communicants added (admitted 1, received 2,) 3; Removed 4; Present number 27; Marriages 3; Burial 1; Public services (on Sundays 84, on other days 2,) 86; Children catechised 7 times; Sunday School 1; Teachers (male 2, female 2,) 4; Papils (males 8, female 10,) 18.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, vis:

Episcopal Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	<b>8</b> 3 75
Diocesan Missions,	•	•	•	•	•	5 00
Domestic Missions,	•	•	•	•		2 16
Diocesan Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	3 00
Sunday School,	•	•	•	•	•	3 00
Education, .	•	•	•	•	•	1 34
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The amounts of the several items of collections for Church objects are as near as recollected.

On the 1st of July I resigned my situation as Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Bath, since which time I have officiated every Sunday as Rector of St. James' Church, Hammondsport, with the exception of one Sunday in Wayne; where they are anxious for the services of the Church, and where I purpose, as Missionary, to give them occasional services.

St. Mark's Church, Candor, Tioga county; the Rev. George S. Porter, late Missionary.

Early in November I took the charge of Danby in Tompkins county, and Candor, Tioga county, as a Missionary station, making an engagement to serve them until Easter. I was led to withdraw my services from Candor, after the expiration of one half the term of engagement. While in charge I officiated here regularly one half my time. The regular services and Festavals were observed. The proper collections were made, but not having my minutes of collections by me, I am unable to state the amount collected for different objects. Some changes have been made in the former number of Communicants by removal; Present number 14; one Burial; Families 12.

St. John's Church, Richford, Tioga county; the Rev. Humphrey Hollis, Rector.

Congregation: Families 6; (adults 16, children 6,) 22; Communicants, died 1; Present number 13; Burial 1; Public services (on Sundays 24, on other days 2,) 26

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

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Diocesan Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	900	_
Episcopal Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	00	
Education Fund,	٠.	<u>.</u> •.	•	•	•	00	
Diocesan and Missi	onary )	fund,	•	•	•	1	10
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In the above report of Communicants, four have been absent for some length of time, but intend, I believe, to return. They have a neat little Church to worship in, but the Congregation is reduced by deaths and removals to a mere handful. In addition to the above Sunday Services, the incumbent has officiated two Sundays at the Methodist Chapel in Caroline, which is within the bounds of the Congregation.

St. Paul's Church, Owego, Tioga county; the Rev. ISAAC SWART, Missionary.

Since the last report made by the Missionary of this station, the Rev. John Bayley, it has pleased our Heavenly Father to lay upon him a very great affliction. Mr. Bayley, during a part of the last winter and spring, was so afflicted with a loss of voice, that it was found impossible for him to continue in the exercise of his ministerial functions. With a view to the restoration of his health and future usefulness, he is now upon a visit to England. The charge of the Parish, by the recommendation of the Bishop of the Diocese, has devolved upon the Rev. Isaac Swart, of the Diocese of New York, now a Presbyter of Western New York.

The building that was contracted for during the past year, has been finished, and on the 27th day of May last, it was consecrated to the service of Almighty God, by the Right Rev. Wm. H. De Lancey, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Western New York. The thanks of the Congregation are due to the Vestry of the Church for the pains which they have taken, so to order the internal construction of the building, as to combine utility, propriety, and beauty; to the Ladies, for the very appropriate Desk and Pulpit trimmings, and a carpet for the Chancel and Aisles; to Mrs. Sarah A. Rutgers, of Belleville, N. J., for a pair of Astral Lamps for the desk and pulpit; and to the friends of Mrs. C. F. Johnson, for a communion service. The church is furnished with a good Organ with six stops:

The beautiful feature as strikingly drawn in the last report of the Missionary, is still, we sincerely hope, preserved—" the character of this parish is a gradual and peaceful growth, and a wish to present the Church in all her beautiful proportions, as the pillar and ground of the truth."

Baptisms (adult 1, children 4, infants 2,) 7; Confirmed 3; Communicants added (admitted 3, received 2,) 5; Removed 1; Present number 24; Burials 3; Public services (on Sundays,) about 26; Children catechised 11 times; Sunday School 1; Teachers [male 3, female 2,] 5; Pupils [male 15, female 15,] 30.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

To the Protestant Epise		l Tract	Society,	•	•	<b>\$2 00</b>
To Diocesan Missions,		•	•	•	•	8 50
To Episcopal Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	1 00
To Diocesan Fund,	•	•	`•	•	•	1 00
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Besides this, there has been paid for sundry school books, \$5.25; for parochial purposes, raised by the Ladies, not far from \$75.

Christ Church, Danby, Tompkins county; the Rev. George S. Porter, late Missionary.

In South Danby my services were continued up to Easter, and for a few Sundays on my return after that season. I was unable, however, to present any for Confirmation, as I did not receive in time the notice of the Bishop's visitation. The children were catechised only once in Church. A Bible Class conducted with written answers, was held weekly in the Spring. The regular Sunday services were well attended—and on communion Sundays especially. And the two days of Wednesday and Friday, through the season of Lent, were not entirely neglected. The parish distinguished itself by promptly responding to the sure mode of collections by monthly offerings; but I am unable to specify the amount, not having at hand my memorandums.

Families about 20; [adults about 100, children about 30,] 130; Baptisms [in Church at South Danby, children 2, in town of Tioga, Tioga county, 3,] 5; Communicants; Died 1; Removed 1; Present number 23: Married 1; Public Services (on Sundays here and in Candor and other places through the year 90, on other days 18,) 108.

During my residence at Danby, I officiated a few Sundays and other days to interesting congregations in the towns of Candor, and Tioga, Tioga county, where never before the service had been exhibited. With much promise this field might be cultivated by a Missionary. The distance from other neighborhoods cuts off many, and

some of our own Communion, from public worship, except casual evening service of the Methodists, &c.

I would give here much credit to the Ladies' Sewing Society of Danby in promoting the comfort of the Parish.

Trinity Church, Hector, Tompkins county; the Rev. RICHARD SMITH, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 4; (adults 10, children 11,) 21; Baptiem (infant) 1; Communicants, Removed 1; Present number 8; Marriage 1; Public Services (on Sundays 61, on other days 7,) 68.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, yiz:

By the many removals this parish is reduced to a small number. A part of my time is given to Big Stream in Yates county; from 60 to 70 persons attend our Sunday Services.

Contributed from Big Stream, for Church objects. . \$3 00

St. John's Church, Ithaca, Tompkins county; the Rev. Bethel Judd, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms 6; Communicants 30; Burials 4; Families 37; Marriages 7.

Zion Church, McLean, Tompkins county; the Rev. Humphrey Hollis, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 15; (adults 37, children 9, 46; Confirmed 1; Communicants added [admitted 1, received 7,]8; Present number 21; Burials 2; Public Services (on Sundays 64, on other days 5,) 69; Children catechised 4, at each service during the Summer.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Fund, .	•	•	•	•	\$1 00
Episcopal Fund.	•	•	•	•	1 00
Education Fund,	•	•	•	•	1 00
Diocesan Missionary Fund,	•	•	•	•	4 77
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It is difficult, at least in this place, owing to the divided state of families, to say definitely how many belong to the congregation. In addition to the above, the incumbent has performed two Sunday services at Moravia, then vacant—two for the Rev. H. Gregory, Homer, then absent—one third service at Dryden, and five others at a neighboring school-house. He has also officiated on the Festivals and Fasts, and held during the season of Lent on each Wednesday evening a service at private houses within the parish. No Church edifice.

Zion Church, Palmyra, Wayne county; the Rev. CLEMENT M. BUTLER, late Rector.

Communicants added (admitted 9, received 1,)10; Died 1, Removed 4,] 5; Present number 43; Confirmed 11; Married 3; Baptized (adults 2, infants 6,)8; Burials 14.

St. John's Church. Sodus, Wayne county; the Rev. Erastus Spalding, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 55; [adults 141, children 113,] 254; Baptisms [infants] 15; Confirmed 3; Communicants added (admitted) 2; present number 42; Marriages; Burials 3; Public services [on Sundays 61, on other days 2,] 63: Children catechised 49; times not known; Sunday schools 2; Teachers [male 7, female 8,] 15; Pupils 49.

Monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions,		•	•	•	•	<b>\$10 99</b>
For Education, •	•	•	•	•	•	5 01
For Diocesan Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	2 45
Episcopal Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	<b>2</b> 25
For Church objects,	•	•	•	•	•	6 63
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By the good blessing of our God upon us, the Church here seems to be regularly, though slowly progressive. She is gaining interest and strength in the good feelings of the community around her. Her quietness, peace and good order seems to command the esteem and respect even of those who have no true relish for her services. And she has nothing to fear only let her be true to herself and to the holy principles of her Divine Master, and her course will ever be onward. During the past year my time has been occupied here much as formerly, usually three of a Sunday, to wit: two as the Ridge and one at the Point. I have once or twice officiated at Poultneyville. Nothing exists, that I am aware of, in any of this region to disturb the peace or essentially to retard the progress of the Church.

Grace Church, Lyons, Wayne county; the Rev. SAMUEL COOKE, Missionary.

Congregation: Families about 50; attendance 250; Baptisms (adults 3, infants 19,) 22; Confirmed 10; Communicants 18; added (admitted 24, received 12,) 54; removed 4; present number 50; Marriages 3; Burials 5; Public services (on Sundays 1, on other days 30,) 80; Sunday school 1; Teachers [male 4, female 13,] 17; Pupils 100; average attendance 70.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

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This parish was organized by the present Missionary about two years since. Public service has been held in the court room. A stone Gothic Church has been menced and will be ready for consecration about Christmas. Occasional services have been held in the neighborhood.

St. Mark's Church, Penn Yan, Yates county; the Rev. EDMUND EMBURY, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 32; Baptisms (infants) 4; Confirmed 2; Communicants added [admitted 3, received 5,] 8; Removed 3; Present number 33; Marriage 1;

Burials 6; Public services [on Sundays 110, on other days 5,] 115; Sunday School 1; Teachers (male 3, female 3,) 6; Pupils, [male 9, female 11,] 20.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Parish Objects,	•	•	842	04
For Education and Missionary Society,	•	•	24	25
For Episcopal Fund,	•	•	2	00
For Diocesan Fund,	•	•	1	00
For Bible and Prayer Book Society, .	•	•		<b>90</b>
For Tract Society,	•	•	_	00
Contributed to the Parish Sunday School,	•	•	-	50
Contributed towards Insuring the Church,	•	•	2	25
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			275	14

The Church in this place continues to advance; the number of attendants on the Sunday services is increasing, and every thing encourages us in the belief, that soon our little Zion will, under the blessing of the Almighty, be in a state of highest prosperity. Agreeably to the advice of the Vestry, the monthly collections have been taken up and appropriated, for the mest part, with a view to defraying the expenses which have been unavoidably incurred for the benefit of the Parish. The Sunday School is under the exclusive charge of the minister, who personally superintends all its exercises.

Report of the Rev. George S. Porter, Missionary at Niagara Falls and Tonawanda, Erie county.

As I have labored here but four months, the last one of which only as Missionary of the Churck, and in connection with a school, I am unable to give so full a report as I could wish. I have constantly officiated twice each Sunday, intermediately between these places, except in consequence of great sickness at Tonawanda I have held but one service a few days. At Tonawanda good congregations have attended, and the service is read correctly—never before my going there, had they been visited by a Clergyman of the Church. Population estimated at 5 or 600. Great need exists for establishing our Church. No denomination is organized, but the Methodists, and that but lately, and they only hold public worship once in two weeks. The house of worship might, for a small sum, be purchased and secured to our use. Communicants at a late communion 5; Baptisms 2. The funerals are attended by a Layman, no Clergyman residing near them. At the Falls we have a few members, but less prospect of success, than years ago seemed held out. But the present opposing difficulties we hope, in time, will subside. It is an important post; many visitors are here in the season, and should have a place of worship, our present one is poor and poorly lécated, and the ground not ours. The Church was once organized and the state of things favorable. At present we have 7 or 8 communicants, I can hardly tell how many families, as my employment in School leaves me too little time to visit individuals and ascertain particulars. Much labor is wanted here, and the two places should not cease to be the care of the Church. When Communion was administered, four strangers to me communicated. So far we are just commenced; may Divine Providence yet build us No collections are made but at communion, in either parish, as we are unorganized. Neither could I establish any Sunday School, or so far any Bible class. One faneral. My services seem acceptable considering the times in which we live.

Report of the Rev. George D. Gillespie, Deacon, Missionary at Liverpool and Salina, Onondaga county.

Beptisms [infants] 7, by the Rev. Mr. Gallagher, of Syracuse; Confirmed at Syracuse, one belonging to the parish at Liverpool, and one to the parish at Salina. Communicants at Liverpool 3, at Salina 1.

Year Missionary entered upon the discharge of his duties on the 6th of September;

since that time he has officiated every Sunday, once at Liverpool and once at Salina. Permanent arrangements have now been made for accuring the Town Hall at Liverpool for a service at 1 o'clock, and a commodious school house has been engaged at Salina for a service at helf past 3 o'clock. A Church has been organized at Liverpool under the name of "the Church of the Ascension," and arrangements made for the religious instruction of the children and young persons who may be disposed to avail themselves of it. A week day service will soon be commenced. These parishes are greatly indebted to the Rev. Mr. Gallagher for his exertions in securing for them the services of the Church, whose kindness will ever be held in grateful remembrance.

It is as yet with us "the day of small things," but we trust that Almighty God will soon "revive his work" in the midst of this people, and that at no very distant periods Churches will be permanently established in both these places.

The Bishop has received reports, according to the Canon, from the following Clergymen of the Diocese not having a Parochial or Missionary charge in the Diocese, viz:

The Rev. John D. GILBERT, residing near Palmyra, Wayne county.

" JOHN C. RUDD, D. D., Professor of Moral Science, and of the Evidences of Christianity in Hobart Hall, Holland Patent, and Editor of the Gospel Measurger and Church Record of Western New York, Utica, Oneida county.

The Rev. James O. Stokes, residing near Medina, Orleans county,

- " BENJAMIN HALE, D. D., residing at Geneva, President of Geneva College.
- " HOBART WILLIAMS, Deacon, residing at Utica, Oneida county.

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The Convention shall be composed of the officiating Ministers, being regularly admitted and settled in some Church within this Diocese, which is in union with this Convention; and of Lay Members, consisting of one or more Delegates, not exceeding three, from each Church, to be chosen by the Vestry or Congregation. And Clergymen employed as Missionaries under the direction of this Convention, and Clergymen engaged as Professors and Instructors

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of youth in any College, Academy, or general Seminary of Learning, duly incorporated, may be members of the Convention.

#### ARTICLE IV.

Every Convention shall be opened with prayers and a sermon; and the preacher shall be nominated by the Bishop; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee.

#### ARTICLE V.

The Bishop shall preside in the Convention; but in case of a vacancy, or necessary absence, the members shall elect a President from among the clergy.

#### ARTICLE VI.

A Secretary shall be chosen upon the assembling of the Annual Convention, from among the members thereof, who shall remain in office until the meeting of the next Annual Convention, and until a successor be appointed. His duty shall be to take minutes of their proceedings, to preserve their journals and records, to attest the public acts of the body, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Convention which may be in his possession. It shall also be his duty to give due notice to each Minister and Vestry of the time and place appointed for the meeting of the succeeding Convention.

#### ARTICLE VII.

In all matters which shall come before the Convention, the Clergy and Laity shall deliberate in one body; and in voting, the Clergy shall vote by individuals, and the Laity by congregations; and when more than one Church or Chapel shall be united under one Vestry, the Delegate or Delegates of such Vestry shall be entitled to a vote for each Church or Chapel; and a majority of votes of the two orders jointly shall be decisive; but if in any case it be required by five votes, the two orders shall vote separately in the manner aforesaid, and the concurrence of a majority of each order shall be necessary to constitute a decision. In the case of electing a Bishop, the two orders shall always vote separately, agreeably to the mode last prescribed.

#### ARTICLE VIII.

The mode of altering this Constitution shall be as follows: A Proposition for an amendment shall be introduced in writing, and considered in the Convention; and, if approved of, shall lie over to the next Convention; and, if again approved of in the next ensuing Convention, by a majority of the two orders voting thereon separately, the change shall take place, and the Constitution so altered shall be valid and obligatory.

## CANONS.

#### CANON I.

## Of a List of Ministers in the Diocess.

SECT. 1. Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of all the Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church, canonically resident in this Diocese, annexing the names of their respective Cures, or Parishes, or Stations as Missionaries, or of the Colleges, Academies, or other Seminaries of Learning, duly incorporated, in which they are engaged, or in regard to those who are not engaged in Parishes, Missions, or Institutions of Learning as above, their places of residence only: but no Clergyman, while suspended from the ministry, shall have a place on the said list. And such list shall be laid before the Convention on the first day of meeting, and be prefixed to the Journal.

SECT. 2. The right of any Clergyman of this Diocese to a seat in the Convention, shall, if disputed, be determined according to the provisions of the third article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself; whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid or omitted.

#### CANON II.

## Of Members of the Convention.

SECT. 1. The evidence of the regular admission of a Clergyman into this Diocese shall consist in proof satisfactory to the Convention, of a compliance with the IVth Canon of the General Convention of 1835, and the evidence of settlement in a Church thereof shall consist in proof satisfactory to the Convention of a compliance with the first, second, and third Sections of the XXXth Canon of the General Convention of 1832. In all cases of a contested right to a seat, the evidence of employment as a Missionary shall consist in the certificate of the Bishop, or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, of the President of the Standing Committee. The evidence of the

connexion of a Clergyman with a Seminary of Learning duly incorporated, shall consist in the certificate of the President, Clerk, or any two Professors of such corporation, that he is so employed.

- SECT. 2. The appointment of a Lay Deputy to the Convention of this Diocese shall be certified in writing by the Rector of the parish of which he is a representative, or by one of the Wardens, or by the clerk of the Vestry of such Church; and no other certificate of the appointment of any Lay Deputy or Deputies to the Convention of this Diocese shall be allowed or received. And no Lay Deputy shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention unless he be entitled to vote for Wardens and Vestrymen of the Church which he is appointed to represent.
- SECT. 3. The presence of at least twenty Clergymen entitled to vote in the Convention, and of Deputies from at least twenty Congregations, shall be necessary to the transaction of business, except that a smaller number may adjourn from day to day.

#### CANON III.

## Of the call of a Convention.

- SECT. 1. Notice of the meeting of any Convention shall be given by the Secretary in a printed letter, transmitted by mail at the expense of the Convention, to every Clergyman in the Diocese, at least one month before the time of meeting. This letter shall contain a notice of the time and place of holding the Convention, extracts from the Constitution and Canons relating to the appointment of Lay Deputies, and a form of certificate of their election. Notice of the meeting shall also be inserted in any journal in which the bishop may direct such insertion to be made.
- SECT. 2. Whenever, under the provision of the Constitution, a special Convention is called for any particular purpose, it shall be the duty of the Secretary in the notice thereof to specify such purpose.

#### CANON IV.

Of the admission of a Church into Union with the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese.

To entitle a Church to admission into union with the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese, it is required that there be submitted to the Convention of the same, at a stated meeting:—

1. A certificate from the Bishop, or in case of his absence or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, of the major part of the Standing Committee, that he or they did on notice thereof previously given, approve of the incorporation of such Church.

- 2. A copy of the minutes of the proceedings of the meeting or meetings for organization, duly certified; and
- 3. The certificate of incorporation duly proved and recorded, or a copy thereof certified by the Clerk of the County.

#### CANON V.

## Of the Secretary of the Convention.

- SECT. 1. The duty of the Secretary shall be to take minutes of the proceedings of the Convention; to preserve its journals and records; to attest the public acts of the body, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Convention which may be in his possession. It shall also be his duty to give due notice to each Minister and Vestry of the time and place appointed for the meeting of the Convention.
- SECT. 2. He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of the Protostant Episcopal Church, in the United States, and to the Secretary of the last house of Clerical and Lay Deputies in the General Convention, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal of the Convention; and shall request the last to send copies of their respective Journals in exchange. He shall also transmit a copy to each Clergyman in the Diocese, and each Lay Deputy attending the Convention, and forward by mail, unless otherwise directed, ten copies to each Church in the Diocese.
- SECT. 3. He shall also transmit to every General Convention, in addition to the decuments mentioned in the third section of the VIIth Canon of the General Convention of 1835, a certificate, to be signed by himself, containing a list of the Clergymen in this Diocese, and the amount of Funds paid or secured to be paid (distinguishing them) to the General Theological Seminary; together with the nomination of Trustees of that Seminary; and also a like certificate of the appointment of Clerical and Lay Deputies.
- SECT. 4. Any expense incurred by a compliance with the several sections of this Canon shall be paid out of the Diocesan Fund.
- SECT. 5. Whenever there shall be a vacancy in the office of Secretary of the Convention, the duties thereof shall devolve upon the Assistant Secretary, if there be one; if not, upon the Secretary of the Standing Committee.
- SECT. 6. It shall also be the duty of the Secretary to give notice of the meeting of any Convention in a printed letter, transmitted by mail, at the expense of the Convention, to every Clergyman of the Diocese at least one month before the time of meeting. This letter shall contain a notice of the time and place of holding the Conven-

tion: extracts from the Constitution and Canone relating to the appointment of Lay Deputies; and a form of certificate of their election, and a copy of the blank form of parochial report adopted by the Convention, with a request that it be filled up and forwarded to the Bishop. When any Church is known to be vacant, the above letter shall be sent to a Warden of the same, who shall cause the blank parochial report to be filled up and forwarded as aforesaid.

#### CANON VI.

## Of the Treasurer of the Convention.

- Treasurer of the Convention. It shall be his duty to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not be otherwise regulated. He shall be subject to the direction of the Standing Committee in relation to the mode and place of depositing the funds received by him, and the manner of paying them out, and his accounts and books shall be at all times subject to the inspection of the Standing Committee or any member thereof. Before entering on the duties of his office he shall give a bond to the Standing Committee, in such penalty and with such surety as they shall direct, conditional for the faithful performance of his duties, and for the delivery over to his successor of all funds, securities, books and papers pertaining to his office.
- SECT. 2. His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention, and shall be examined by a committee appointed for the purpose, who shall report the same to the Convention.
- SECT. 3. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by an appointment to be made by the Standing Committee of the Diocese; and the person so appointed shall continue to act until an appointment is made by the Convention. The Treasurer may be removed at any time from his office by the Standing Committee, for any neglect or misconduct, of which they shall be judges.

#### CANON VII.

## Of Church Registers and Parochial Reports.

SECT. 1. The parish Register required by Canon XXIX of the General Convention of 1832, shall specify the name and time of the birth of the child baptized, with the names of the parents and sponsors; the name of the adult baptized; the names of the parties married; and of two or more special witnesses of the same, and the place where the marriage was solemnized; the names of the persons buried; and also the time when each rite was performed. These Registers shall be kept by the Minister in a book to be provided for

that purpose belonging to the Vestry of each Church; which book shall be the Parish Register, and shall be preserved by the Vestry as a part of the records of the Church. The list of Communicants shall embrace all within his Cure as nearly as can be ascertained, and in his annual parochial report he shall distinguish the additions, removals, and deaths since the last report. He shall also keep a list of the families and adult persons in his Cure, as far as practicable, and also an accurate list of the persons confirmed from time to time by the Bishop.

SECT. 2. In every case where a parish is destitute of a Minister, the Register contemplated by this Canon shall be kept by some person appointed by the Vestry for that purpose.

#### CANON VIII.

## Of Preparing a Report on the State of the Church.

A Committee of the Convention of this Diocese shall be appointed at the stated meeting of the same, next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, to assist the Bishop in preparing a report of the state of the Church in this Diocese, and a list of the Clergy, to be presented to the General Convention.

#### CANON IX.

## Of Deputies to the General Convention.

- SECT. 1. The Convention shall, at each regular annual meeting, elect by the concurrent ballot of the Clerical and Lay Members, four Clergymen and four Laymen to act as Deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention.
- SECT. 2. It shall be the duty of the Deputies elect, to signify to the Bishop, on some day within three weeks of the meeting of the General Convention, and at least one week before such meeting, their acceptance of the appointment, and their intention to perform its duties; in default of which, and in case of their inability or unwillingness to perform the duties of the appointment all vacancies so occurring by declensions, sickness or death, shall be filled by the designation of the Bishop from the list of the Clergymen and Laymen actually belonging to the Convention in which the Deputies were appointed, and such person or persons so designated by the Bishop, being furnished with his certificate thereof, shall have all the power and authority of Deputies duly elected by the Convention.
- SECT. 3. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or of the inability of the Bishop to act, the power conferred upon the Bishop by this Canon, shall be exercised by the President of the Standing Committee.

#### CANON X.

## Of the Standing Committee.

- SECT. 1. At every stated Convention an election of a Standing Committee shall be made; which Committee shall consist of four of the Clergy and four of the Laity, to be chosen by ballot, and by the concurrent vote of the members of each order. Vacancies in said Committee, occurring by death or otherwise, shall be supplied by the concurrent vote of the Clerical Members and Lay Members of the Committee.
- SECT. 2. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the powers and duties to be performed by the Bishop in matters of discipline, shall be performed by the Standing Committee, except in those cases where such powers and duties are or may be specially delegated to or enjoined upon the Clerical Members of said Committee; in which cases such powers and duties shall be exercised by said Clerical Members alone; provided that no sentence shall be pronounced upon a Clergyman but by a Bishop.

#### CANON XI.

## Of Vacant Churches.

- SECT. 1. Whenever a Church becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry to give immediate notice thereof to the Bishop.
- SECT. 2. The Bishop shall appoint those of the Clergy in the Diocese who can with most convenience discharge the duty, to supply such vacant parishes as have been reported to him, at such times as may be deemed convenient and proper. It shall be the duty of such vacant Churches thus supplied to defray all the expenses incident to such occasional services.

#### CANON XII.

## Of Elections.

- SECT. 1. All the officers of this Convention shall be elected by ballot. Elections by ballot may be dispensed with by a unanimous vote of the Convention. And when an election is by ballot, a majority of the votes in each order shall be necessary to a valid election.
- SECT. 2. To facilitate the stated elections by ballot, the Secretary shall provide sheets of paper with printed headings containing the titles of the various offices to be filled by ballot, for the use of the members of the Convention, and all such officers may be voted for at one balloting.

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SECT. 3. In all cases of failure or omission to elect officers by the Convention, the persons last elected shall continue in office until others be chosen.

#### CANON XIII.

## Of the Fund for the Support of the Episcopate. .

- SECT. 1. There shall be five Trustees appointed by the Convention, to whom the management and care of the fund for the support of the Episcopate in this Diocese shall be entrusted. It shall be the duty of the said Trustees to appoint a President and Secretary; and no act of said Trustees shall be valid, unless authorized by a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of said Trustees by a majority of the same, and recorded by the Secretary of the Board, in a book to be kept as the record of their proceedings, and to be open to the inspection of the Convention. The said Trustees shall hold their offices during the pleasure of the Convention, and all vacancies occurring in said Board of Trustees shall from time to time be filled by the Convention.
- SECT. 2. All monies belonging to the fund for the support of the Episcopate shall be loaned by the said Trustees upon security on real estate, appraised at double the amount loaned thereon, exclusive of buildings: the appraisal to be made by three appraisers, appointed by the Trustees for that purpose; and all securities and investments shall be taken or made in the names of the said Trustees and their successors in office, as Trustees of the said fund; and they shall have power from time to time to change such securities or investments.
- SECT. 3. The Trustees shall cause the income of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate of \$35,500, to be collected and paid to the Bishop of the Diocese semi-annually.
- SECT. 4. With a view to the further increase of the principal of the said fund such portion of the monthly contributions of the Diocese as may be given or appropriated for that purpose shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Convention to the order of the said Trustees, to be invested by them for accumulation and without diminution until the further order of the Convention: and all monies remaining in the hands of said Trustees for investment shall be deposited in some safe Bank of this state to the credit of the President and Secretary of the Board.
- SECT. 5. A statement of the proceedings of said Trustees, exhibiting the condition of the fund hereby entrusted to their charge, together with the items of receipts and disbursements, with the vouchers therefor, shall be reported to each Annual Convention, signed by said Trustees or a majority of them.

#### CANON XIV.

## Of the Education and Missionary Board.

SECT. 1. The Bishop and Standing Committee of this Diocese, are hereby appointed the Education and Missionary Board thereof, with full powers in reference to education and missionary operations within the diocese, under such rules as they may adopt, the Bishop having the nomination of all missionaries.

SECT. 2. In every parish in this Diocese there shall be monthly collections for Church objects, to be made regularly on the second (or some other) Sunday of each month. It shall be the duty of every Clergyman to give due notice of these collections, and to call the attention of the congregation to their importance and claims. be the duty of the Wardens of every parish to forward the proceeds of the collections or contributions to the Diocesan Treasurer of the Convention, designating for what particular Church object the contribution is intended; and if no object be thus specified, the amount forwarded shall be subject to appropriation to Diocesan objects. shall be the duty of the Diocesan Treasurer to hold all monies received by him, subject to appropriation by said Board, and to pay them upon order of the Board. The said Board shall apply all monies specifically intended by the donors to the objects named by them. All other monies shall be appropriated to such Church objects in the Diocese, and in such proportions as they may deem most conducive to the good of the Church.

The Diocesan objects are, -

Missions:--

Education: -

The Expenses of the Convention:—

The quota of this diocese towards the expenses of the General Convention:—

The Distribution of Bibles, Prayer Books, Sunday School Books and Tracts:—and

The increase of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate.

The Treasurer shall also receive contributions for Church objects, sent to him by benevolent individuals, or by churches or societies not belonging to this diocese; which contributions shall be applied or appropriated as provided for above. He shall report annually to the Convention the amounts received and disbursed by him. The Education and Missionary Board shall report annually a statement of the amount thus raised, the objects to which it has been applied, the churches which have contributed, with the amount by each; and also the churches which have failed to make and forward their contributions;—which report, or an abstract of the same, shall be appended to the Journal.

#### CANON XV.

## Of Attending the Meetings of the Convention.

SECT. 1. Whereas the regular attendance of the Clergy and Laity at the meetings of the Convention is of essential consequence to the interests of the Church, this duty is hereby enjoined upon them.

SECT. 2. And whereas it is often necessary to travel a considerable distance to the place of meeting of the Convention, it is hereby made the duty of the different parishes to make provision for the expenses of their Clergy in attending the Convention, either by a collection in Church on Sunday or by some other mode.

SECT. 8. No member of this Convention shall leave the same during its session without having applied for and received leave of

absence.

#### CANON XVI.

## Of the Trial of a Clergyman not being a Bishop.

SECT. 1. Whenever any Minister of this Diocese, not being Bishop thereof, shall become liable to presentment and trial under the provisions of any Canon of the General or Diocesan Convention, the mode of proceeding in this Diocese shall be as follows, viz: The trial shall be on a presentment in writing, addressed to the Bishop of the Diocese, specifying the offences of which the accused is alleged to be guilty, with reasonable certainty as to time, place and circumstances. Such presentment may be made by the major part in number of the members of the Vestry of any Church of which the accused is a Minister, or by any three Presbyters of this Diocese entitled to seats in the Convention, or as hereinfter mentioned. Whenever from public rumor, or otherwise the Bishop shall have reason to believe that any Clergyman is under the imputation of having been guilty of any offence or misconduct, for which he is liable to be tried, and that the interest of the Church requires an investigation, it shall be his duty to appoint five persons, of whom three at least shall be Presbyters, to examine the case: a majority of whom may make such examination, and if there is in their opinion sufficient ground for presentment, shall present the Clergyman accordingly.

SECT. 2. A presentment being made in any one of the modes above prescribed, the Bishop, if the facts charged shall not appear to him to be such as constitute an offence, may dismiss it; or if it allege facts, some of which do, and some of which do not constitute an offence, he may allow it in part and dismiss the residue, or he may permit it to be amended. When it shall be allowed in whole or in part, the Bishop shall cause a copy of it to be served on the accused; and shall also nominate twelve Presbyters of this Diocese entitled to seats in the Convention, and not being parties to the presentment, and cause a list of their names to be served on the accused, who shall within thirty days after such service, select five of them and notify their names in writing to the Bishop; and if he shall not give

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such notification to the Bishop within the said thirty days, the Bishop shall select five, and the Presbyters so selected shall form a Board for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at such time and place as the Bishop shall direct, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time, and from place to place, (but always within this Diocese,) as they shall think necessary.

- SECT. 3. A written notice of the time and place of their first meeting shall be served at least thirty days before such meeting, on the accused, and also on one of the persons making the presentment.
- SECT. 4. If at the time appointed for the first meeting of the Board of Presbyters, the whole number of five shall not attend, then those who do attend may adjourn from time to time; and if after one adjournment or more, it shall appear to them improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, then those who do attend, not being less than three, shall constitute the Board, and proceed to the trial, and a majority of them shall decide all questions.
- SECT. 5. If a Clergyman presented shall confess the truth of the facts alleged in the presentment, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to proceed to pass sentence; and if he shall not confess them before the appointment of a Board for his trial, as before mentioned, he shall be considered as denying them.
- SECT. 6. If a Clergyman presented, after having had due notice, shall not appear before the Board of Presbyters appointed for his trial, the Board may nevertheless proceed as if he were present, unless for good cause they shall see fit to adjourn till another day.
- SECT. 7. When the Board proceed to the trial, they shall hear such evidence as shall be produced, which evidence shall be reduced to writing, and signed by the witnesses respectively; and some officer authorized by law to administer oaths may, at the desire of either party, be requested to administer an oath or affirmation to the witnesses, that they will testify the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, concerning the facts charged in the presentment. If on or during the trial, the accused shall confess the truth of the charges as stated in the presentment, the Board may dispense with hearing further evidence, and may proceed at once to state their opinion to the Bishop as to the sentence that ought to be pronounced.
- SECT. 8. Upon the application of either party to the Bishop, and it being made satisfactorily to appear to him, that any material witness cannot be procured upon the trial, the Bishop may appoint a commissary to take the testimony of such witness. Such commissary may be either a Clergyman or a Layman, and the party so applying, shall give to the other at least six days notice of the time and place of taking the testimony. And if the person on whom the notice shall be served, shall reside more than forty miles from the place of examination, an additional day's notice shall be given for every additional twenty miles of the said distance. And both parties

may attend and examine the witness; and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witness, and shall be certified by the commissary, and enclosed under his seal and transmitted to the Board, and shall be received by them as evidence. A witness examined before such commissary, may be sworn or affirmed in manner aforesaid.

SECT. 9. The Board having deliberately considered the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether the accused is guilty or not guilty of such charges respectively, and also stating the sentence which in their opinion should be pronounced; and a copy of such decision shall be without delay communicated to the accused; and the original decision, together with the evidence shall be delivered to the Bishop, who shall pronounce such canonical sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided the same shall not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Board; and such sentence shall be final. fore pronouncing any sentence, the Bishop shall summon the accused and any three or more of the Clergy to meet him at such time as may in his opinion be most convenient, in some Church to be designated by him, which shall for that purpose be open at the time to all persons who may choose to attend, and the sentence shall then and there be publicly pronounced by the Bishop. But the Bishop, if he shall be satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused, in which case a new Board of Presbyters shall be appointed, the proceedings before whom shall be conducted as before mentioned.

SECT. 10. All notices and papers contemplated in this Canon may be served by a summoner or summoners, to be appointed for the purpose by the Bishop, and whose certificate of such service shall be evidence thereof. In case of service by any other person, the fact shall be proved by the affidavit of such person. A written notice or paper delivered to a party, or left at his last place of residence, shall be deemed a sufficient service of such notice or paper, provided however that the service, if not personal, shall be a notice of at least sixty days.

SECT. 11. The accused may have the privilege of appearing by counsel, in case of the exercise of which privilege, and not otherwise, those who present shall have also the like privilege; which counsel shall in all cases be members of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

SECT. 12. The record of all proceedings upon a presentment of a Clergyman, shall be preserved by the Standing Committee, and for that purpose shall, after a final decision, be delivered to their Secretary.

#### CANON XVII.

## Of the Trial of a Bishop.

SECT. 1. The trial of a Bishop shall be on a presentment in writing, specifying the offences of which he is alleged to be guilty,

with reasonable certainty as to time, place, and circumstances. Such presentment may be made by the Convention, a majority of the votes present of each order concurring; or, in the recess of the Convention, by two-thirds of the Standing Committee. When made by the Convention, it shall be signed by a committee appointed for that purpose. Such presentment shall be addressed to the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and shall be delivered to the presiding Bishop, unless when the Bishop presented is the presiding Bishop, and in that case it shall be addressed to the Bishop next in seniority; with a request that he will take such steps as to him may seem best for an immediate trial of the accused by some three or more of the Bishops of said Church.

- SECT. 2. A Committee consisting of three Presbyters and three Laymen shall be appointed by the Convention or Standing Committee, as the case may be, to prosecute the presentment. The Bishops who shall try the accused, or the majority of them, shall have power, either upon the confession of the accused, or after hearing the parties, to pass such sentence as is, or may be authorised by the Constitution or Canons of the Church.
- SECT. 3. The proceedings as to service of a copy of the presentment, the taking of testimony, the notices to be given to, and the papers to be served on the accused, and the proceeding in case he shall refuse or neglect to appear, shall conform as near as may be to those directed in the XVIth Canon in regard to Clergymen not being Bishops; and shall in other respects be regulated as the said Bishops, or a majority of them, shall direct.

# CANON XVIII.

## Of Alterations in the Canons and Additions Thereto.

SECT. 1. No proposed afteration of, or addition to the Canons, shall hereafter be considered by the Convention, unless at least one day's previous notice be given thereof in open Convention; nor, unless by unanimous consent, until such alteration or addition shall have been referred to, and reported upon, by a committee of at least two Presbyters and two Laymen. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted, during the same Convention, if two thirds of the votes of both orders shall not concur therein; but in such case, the same (unless negatived by a majority of the members present) shall lie over for consideration until the next annual meeting of the Convention.

SECT. 2. Any Canon may be suspended temporarily by unanimous consent.

#### CANON XIX.

## Repealing former Canons.

All former Canons of this Convention are hereby repealed.

# APPENDIX.

No. III.

### INSTRUCTIONS AND FORMS

FOR THE INCORPORATION OF AN EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

Prepared by a Committee appointed for that purpose by the Convention of the Diocese of Western New York, November, 1888.

#### I. THE PERSONS WHO MAY INCORPORATE THEMSELVES.

By the act of March 5th, 1819, (3d vol. Rev. Statutes, p. 301 of 1st edition, and p. 213 of second edition,) it is provided that the male persons of full age, belonging to any church, congregation or religious society, in which divine worship shall be celebrated according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this state, and not already incorporated, may at any time meet for the purpose of incorporating themselves.

- 1. They must be males, of twenty-one years of age.
- 2. They must at the time, actually belong to a church, congregation, or religious society, &c. The length of time that they may have belonged to such church, &c. is immaterial.
- 3. They must belong to a church, &c. To ascertain who belong to a church we must recur to the act of April 5th, 1813, (3d vol. Revised Statutes, p. 292, 1st edition, p. 206, 2d ed.) which thus classes them:—

1st, who shall have been baptised in the Episcopal Church; or 2d. Who shall have been received therein by the right of confirmation; or

3d. Who shall have received the holy communion therein; or 4th. Who shall have purchased or hired a pew in such church; or 5th. Who have attached themselves to the Protestant Episcopal Church by some joint act of the parties and of the Rector. This may

be by a written engagement of the parties, made to the Rector of the church, by which they declare that they do thereby attach themselves to the Protestant Episcopal Church, and by which the Rector declares that he receives and recognizes them as belonging to that church.

#### II. PREVIOUS PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE MEETING IS HELD.

The certificate of the Bishop, approving the proposed incorporation, must first be had.

(See Canon IV. Diocese of Western New York.)

By the act of 1813, a notice must be given that the persons belonging to the church or congregation, will meet at a time and place specified, for the purpose of incorporating themselves, and of electing two Wardens and eight Vestrymen. This notice must be given in the time of morning service,—on two Sundays previous to the time of meeting. It must be given by the Rector, if there be one; if there be none, by any person belonging to such church or congregation.

It has been usual to insert in the certificate of incorporation, that the notice required by law, was given. But as the statute makes no provision for such a fact being thus certified, it would not be evidence of it. In order to preserve some evidence of that proceeding, it is recommended that the notice of a meeting, &c., as above directed, signed by the person who gave it, be preserved, and that an affidavit be endorsed on it, to the effect that "the within notice was publicly read in the time of morning service, on Sunday, the —— day of ——, and Sunday, the —— day of ——, in the year 18—, to the congregation worshipping in the —— in the village of [or town] of ——, according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church." This affidavit may be sworn to before a judge of any court of record, or a commissioner of deeds. If this affidavit and the notice be on the same sheet of paper with the certificate of incorporation, it will be filed and preserved with it, and may be found of great importance.

#### III. PROCEEDINGS AT THE MEETING.

If there be a Rector, he is to preside; if there be none, any person belonging to the church, or any other person may be called to the chair, and preside. It is usual, and will be found convenient, to appoint a secretary of the meeting, although the statute does not require it. A well bound blank book should be provided, in which the proceedings may be entered at large, for the purpose of preserving the history of the organization of the church. A form of entering the minutes of this meeting, will be subsequently given. The first business should be to enter in the minutes the names of the persons who attend and are qualified to vote and act. The meeting should then proceed to choose two Wardens and eight Vestrymen, making ten in the aggregate. There must be neither more nor less than the number prescribed, and the same person cannot be chosen both Warden and Vestryman. This election may be either by ballot or viva voce upon

open nomination, although the former mode is preferable. Two of the members of the meeting should be called on to assist in counting the ballots, so that they may join in the certificate. The names of the persons declared chosen should then be entered in the minutes. The meeting should then proceed to determine on what day of the week, called Easter week, the said offices of Church Wardens and Vestrymen shall thereafter annually cease, and their successors in office be chosen, and this also should be entered in the minutes. The meeting is then to determine the name or title by which such church or congregation shall be known in law. This being entered in the minutes, they should be signed by the presiding officer, by the secretary, and the two persons who afterwards joined in the certificate of incorporation.

If the minutes be thus kept, and any accident should happen to the certificate, or it should prove to be imperfect, or a new one for any cause should become necessary, it can be had without calling another meeting. In the same book the minutes of the subsequent vestry meetings should be entered, and thus a complete record would be preserved.

IV. The certificate of incorporation is then to be made out, signed and sealed, as follows:

#### FORM OF A CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION.

To all whom these presents may concern: We whose names and seals are affixed to this instrument do hereby certify, that on the tenth day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, the male persons of full age worshipping [in the school house of school district number three, in the town of Manlius, in the county of Onondaga, and State of New York,] or [in the Academy in the village of Norwich, in the county of Chenango,] or [in the Court House in the town of Lockport, in the county of Niagara,] or [in their bouse of public worship, in the town of Angelica, in the county of Alleghany, called St. John's Church,] or [any other place, as the fact may be, in which congregation divine worship is celebrated according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York, and which is not already incorporated, met at their place of worship aforesaid for the purpose of incorporating themselves as a religious society, under the acts of the legislature of the state of New York, and in pursuance of notice duly given to the said congregation, in the time of morning service on two Sundays previous to such meeting, that the male persons of full age belonging to said congregation would meet at the time and place aforesaid for the purpose of incorporating themselves, and of electing two church Wardens and eight Vestrymen; and we further certify that [the Rev. John Knox, being Rector of said church, presided at the said meeting,] or, if there be no Rector, [there being no Rector of the said congregation, or church, the undersigned, William Thomas, was by a majority of the said persons so met, called to the chair, and presided at the said meeting,] and we further certify that at

the said meeting, Thomas Jones and William Thomas were duly elected Church Wardens of the said congregation and church, and James Scott, &c., [naming eight persons] were duly elected Vestrymen: That Tuesday [or whatever day was selected] in Easter Week, was by the said meeting fixed on as the day on which the said offices of church Wardens and Vestrymen should annually thereafter cease, and their successors in office be chosen; and that the said meeting determined and declared that the said church and congregation should be known in the law by the name of "The Rector, Church Wardens, and Vestrymen of St. John's Church, in the town of Manlius, in the county of Onondaga."

In TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, the said [John Knox,] or [William Thomas,] who presided at the said election of Wardens and Vestrymen, and Thomas Stiles and Jacob Faithful, who were present and witnessed the proceedings aforesaid, have hereunto subscribed our names, and affixed our seals, this tenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight.

Signed and scaled in presence of JAMES STONE,
THOMAS CHURCHMAN.

[Some persons other than those who signed the certificate.]

WILLIAM THOMAS,

[with a seal attached.]

THOMAS STILES,

[with a seal attached.]

JACOB FAITHFUL,

with a seal attached.]

V. This certificate must be proved by one of the subscribing witnesses before the Chancellor, or a Judge of the Supreme Court, or a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the County, in which the place of worship is situated; or it must be acknowledged by all the persons who signed it, before one of those officers. Neither a Circuit Judge, a Supreme Court Commissioner, nor a Commissioner of Deeds, nor any other officer than those above enumerated, can take the proof or acknowledgment.

Form of a Certificate of PROOF by a subscribing witness, to be endersed on the Certificate of Incorporation.

State of New York, It is hereby certified that on this Onondaga County, ss. Seleventh duy of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, before me, the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the said county of Onondaga, personally appeared James Stone, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he saw William Thomas, Thomas Stiles, and Jacob Faithful, sign and seal the within instrument on the day of the date thereof; that the said persons were to him personally.

known to be the same individuals described in, and who executed the said instrument; That he was a subscribing witness to the execution of the same, and that he resides in the town of Manlius, in the county of Onondaga. And I further certify that the said James Stone, is to me personally known to be the same individual who was a subscribing witness to the execution of the said instrument. [In case the witness is not personally known to the officer, the following should be substituted for the last clause: And I further certify that the said James Stone was to me satisfactorily proved by the oath of William Adams, residing in the said town of Manlius, to be the same individual who was a subscribing witness to the execution of said instrument.]

# Form of a Certificate of ACKNOWLEDGMENT, by persons signing the Certificate.

Onondaga County, ss. Seleventh day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, William Thomas, Thomas Stiles, and Jacob Faithful, appeared before me, the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the county of Onondaga, and severally acknowledged that they had respectively signed and sealed the within instrument: And I further certify that the said persons who made the said acknowledgment, are to me personally known to be the same individuals described in and who executed the said instrument. [In case the persons are not known to the officer, the following should be substituted for the last clause: And I further certify that at the same time James Stone, residing in the said town of Manlius, appeared personally before me, and being by me duly sworn, deposed that he knew the said several persons, who made the said acknowledgment, personally, to be the same individuals described in and who executed the said instrument.]

VI. The certificate being thus executed, and proved or acknow-ledged, is to be presented to the clerk of the County, and recorded by him. The corporation dates its existence from the recording, which is therefore indispensible. A certified copy, under the seal of the County Clerk, of the certificate of incorporation; or the original certificate with an endorsement thereon by the County Clerk of the fact of its having been recorded, is then to be presented to the Bishop of the Diocese for his approbation. That being endorsed by him, the certificate is to be presented to the Convention, that it may receive into union with it, the church so incorporated.

Remarks.—The reasons for the directions and forms above given, could not be assigned without occupying too much space. They have been prepared with great care, and if faithfully followed, the incorporation will be perfect, and applicants for admission into union with the Convention, will not be so often disappointed, nor so frequently put to

the trouble of re-incorporating themselves, as they have heretofore been, in consequence of neglecting the published forms.

The journals of the Convention of the Diocese of the State of New York exhibit many singular instances of perverse and wanton departure from the words of the statute, and the plain directions of the forms given. In two cases, one of the signers of the certificates was a subscribing witness, and they were rejected for that reason.

It may be proper to observe that the variations in the above form of a certificate, from that appended to the journals of the Convention of New York, are all deliberately made, for reasons that will be apparent to the professional reader. As to one variation, that of omitting to state that persons were nominated by the meeting to certify its proceedings, in conjunction with the presiding officer, it may be proper to remark that no such nomination is required by the statute and that while its insertion would unnecessarily encumber the certificate, it has been found that it misled and caused error.

#### FORM OF MINUTES.

The following form of MINUTES of the first meeting of a society to organize and incorporate themselves, is given, in the hope of promoting the convenience of our congregations:

Manlius, Onondaga County, Nov. 10, 1838.

On this day the following persons, of full age, belonging to the Church and Congregation worshipping in the Academy in the said town, (or in their house of public worship in the said town, called St. John's Church,) in which divine worship is celebrated according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York, met together at their said place of worship, pursuant to notice duly given in the time of morning service, on two Sundays previous thereto, for the purpose of incorporating themselves as a religious society under the acts of the legislature of the State of New York, (Here insert the names of the persons present.) The Rev. John Knox, being Rector of the said church and congregation, was called to the Chair and presided, (or there being no Rector of the said Church, William Thomas, was by a majority of said persons called to the Chair, and chosen to preside over the said meeting,) and William Adams, was appointed Secretary thereof. The notice calling the said meeting was then read in the following words: "Notice is hereby given, &c." (copying it.) It was then on motion resolved that the persons here present do proceed to incorporate themselves as a religious society in communion with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and that the said church and congregation be known in law by the name and title of " The Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen of St. John's Church in the town of Manlies, in the county of Onondaga."

The said meeting then proceeded, on motion, to choose two Church Wardens, and eight Vestrymen of the said Church, when the following

persons were duly elected: William Thomas and Thomas Jones, Church Wardens: James Scott, &c. (naming seven others) Vestrymen.

On motion, it was then Resolved, That Tuesday in Easter Week be fixed on as the day on which the said offices of Church Wardens and Vestrymen shall annually hereafter cease, and their successors in office be chosen.

A certificate of incorporation having been prepared, was presented, containing the above proceedings, which was signed by the Chairman of this meeting, and by Thomas Stiles, and Jacob Faithful, and was witnessed by James Stone, and Thomas Churchman, and the said James Stone was requested to prove the due execution of the same, and cause it to be recorded by the County Clerk.

[Signed.] WILLIAM ADAMS, Sec'ry.

WILLIAM THOMAS, Ch'n.

And also by THOMAS STILES, JACOB FAITHFUL.

## PLAN OF SUBSCRIPTION, &c.

Whenever any new church edifice is to be erected in any parish in this diocese by the joint effort of individuals, the Convention recommends to said parish as the basis of its action the following plan, viz:—

Whenever any new church edifice is to be erected in any new parish within this Diocese by the joint effort of individuals, the Wardens and Vestrymen of said parish shall cause a plan to be made of all the sittings in the proposed edifice, then affix the value of each pew upon said plan, and cause the plan thus marked to be kept with the records of the corporation, as the basis of all future taxation. The Convention would hope, as a matter of prudence that the cost of the Church edifice shall never exceed the aggregate amount of said valuations.

Then let a subscription be opened for the building of the edifice under the following form:

The undersigned agree to pay to the parish of

the sums opposite to their respective names for the
purpose of securing a Church edifice for said parish upon the following
conditions:

- 1. The sums subscribed shall not be expended for any other purpose, but held sacred to the purpose of buying a suitable site for a Church Building, and placing such building thereon.
- 2. These sums thus subscribed shall not be considered as given, save where it is otherwise ordered by the subscriber—but as money loaned and to be refunded in pews in such manner and under such restrictions

and subject to the payment of such rents and charges as the Wardens and Vestrymen of said Church may direct whenever the Church building is completed—provided always and in any case that no individual shall receive from the corporation a deed for any pew, until the whole amount of his subscription has been paid.

If this plan be adopted, difficulties about revenue will in a large degree cease. When the church edifice is completed the Wardens and Vestrymen may sell the sittings at private or public sale as they think best, delivering to purchasers the deeds for the sittings always with this proviso—that they are to be assessed from year to year by the Wardens and Vestrymen for the time being for the contingent revenue of the parish—said assessment never to go beyond a certain maximum per centage, and never to fall below a certain minimum—and in case any purchaser fails to pay said annual assessment thus made for two years then the fee simple in the sitting to remit to the corporation.—Thus the rights of both parties will be respected in the contract—the maximum limit protecting the pew holder, and the minimum protecting the corporation—and according to the wants of the parish, the Wardens and Vestrymen may annually range their assessment between the maximum and minimum limits.

## APPENDIX

No. IV.

#### DIRECTIONS

For persons desirous to become Candidates for Holy Orders, and for those desiring Ordination as Deacons and Priests.

DIRECTIONS FOR THOSE WISHING TO BECOME CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

- Can. VI. 1838.—Sec. 1. A person wishing to become a candidate for Holy Orders must, in the first instance, give notice of his intention to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the ecclesiastical authority, or to the President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.
- Sec. 2. He is then to apply to the Standing Committee for their recommendation of him to the Bishop, to be admitted as a candidate for Orders. To enable the Committee to act, he must lay before them,—
- I. Evidence of his having made his intention known to the Bishop.
- II. A certificate to the following effect, unless the Standing Committee can certify the same facts of their own knowledge:
- "To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Western New York.
  (Date.)

"We, the subscribers, from a satisfactory knowledge of the character of A. B., do hereby testify our belief that he is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrines, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and a communicant of the same; and in our opinion possesses such qualifications as will render him apt and-meet to exercise the ministry to the glory of God and the edifying of the Church."

The above certificate should be signed by one Presbyter, and at least four respectable Laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is not absolutely essential that the signers of the above should have a personal acquaintance with the applicant; but they may aet

upon such knowledge of his character from other sources as is estisfactory to them.

III. (Sec. 3.) A satisfactory diploma; or a certificate from the instructor or instructors of some approved literary institution, which certificate must state what have been his studies, and the extent of his improvement in them; or a certificate from two Presbyters, appointed by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to examine him of his possessing such academical learning as may enable him to enter advantageously on a course of Theology.

Or, (Sec. 4.) When the person applying to be admitted a candidate wishes the knowledge of the Latin and Greek languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, he must, instead of the above mentioned diploma or certificate, lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial signed by at least two Presbyters of the Church, stating that in their opinion he possesses extraordinary strength of natural understanding, a peculiar aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence; with proper evidence that the Bishop, with the consent of a majority of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, has granted such dispensation-The Canons provide that this dispensation shall not be granted to any person under 27 years of age, and that no person shall be ordained under such a dispensation until he shall have attained 30 years of age; but as to the Hebrew language, the power of dispensation rests with the Bishop alone, without reference to the age of the candidate. The Standing Committee may then sign a testimonial in behalf of the candidate, which he must produce to the Bishop, who (Sec. 6.) may thereon admit him as a candidate for Orders: in which station he must remain three years before his ordination, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain him after the expiration of a shorter period, not less than one year.\*

The Canone contain also the following provisions, which, however, have no relation to the testimonials. (Sec. 5.) With this enumeration of qualifications, it ought to be made known to the candidate, that the Church expects of him—what can never be brought to the test of any outward standard—an inward fear and werehip of Almiguty Goo: a love of religion, and sensibility to its holy influence: a habit of devout affection: and in short, a cultivation of all those graces which are called in Scripture the fruits of the Spirit, and by which alone his sacred influence can be manifested.

<sup>(</sup>Sec. 9.) If a candidate shall not, within three years after his admission, apply for his first and second examinations, or within five years for his third and fourth examinations, he shall in either case cease to be a candidate.

<sup>(</sup>Sec. 10.) Any person desirous to become a candidate for Holy Orders, must apply to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he resides, unless they shall consent that the application be made in some other Diocese.

Candidates are not to change their canonical residence but for bone fide causes requiring the same, and to be judged of by the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority.

DIRECTIONS TO PERSONS BESIROUS OF ADMISSION TO HOLY ORDERS IN THIS CHURCH WHO HAVE BEEN MINISTERS, LICENTIATES, OR STU-DENTS OF THEOLOGY AMONG OTHER RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS.

Can. VII. Sec. 1. All persons seeking admission to the Ministry of this Church, are to be regarded as Candidates for Holy Orders.

- When a person who, not having had Episcopal Ordination, has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister or Licentiate among any other denomination of Christians, shall desire to be ordained in this Church, he shall give notice thereof to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he resides; or if he resides in a State or Territory in which there is no organized Diocese, to the Missionary Bishop within whose jurisdiction he resides; which notice shall be accompanied with a written certificate from at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating, that from personal knowledge of the party, or satisfactory evidence laid before them, they believe that his desire to leave the denomination to which he has belonged has not arisen from any circumstance unfavorable to his religious or moral character, or on account of which it may be inexpedient to admit him to the exercise of the Ministry in this Church: and they may also add what they know, or believe on good authority, of the circumstances leading to the said desire.
- Sec. 3. If the Bishop or Standing Committee shall think proper to proceed, the party applying to be received as a candidate, shall produce to the Standing Committee the same testimonials of literary qualifications as are required of all other candidates; and also a testimonial from at least twelve members of the denomination from which he came, or twelve members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or twelve persons, in part of the denomination from which he came, and in part Episcopalians, satisfactory to the Committee. that the applicant has, for three years last past, lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and also, a testimonial from at least two Presbyters of this Church, that they believe him to be pious, sober, and honest, and sincerely attached to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Church. The Standing Committee being satisfied on these points, may recommend him to the Bishop to be received as a candidate for Orders in this Church, or in a vacant Diocese, the Standing Committee may so receive him.
- Sec. 4. Candidates admitted as above may, at the expiration of a period not less than six months, be ordained, on their passing the same examinations as other candidates for Deacon's Orders; and in the examinations, special regard shall be had to those points in which the denomination whence they come differs from this Church, with a view of testing their information and soundness in the same; and also to the ascertaining that they are adequately acquainted with the liturgy and offices of this Church; provided, that in their case the testimonials shall be required to cover only the time since their admission as candidates for Orders; and provided, also, that the provisions

of the Canon concerning candidates for Orders, as far as the same relates to the age of the person to whom the dispensation may be granted, and the mode and restrictions in and under which the same may be granted, shall apply to the persons mentioned in this Canon.

- Sec. 5. Every candidate for the Ministry, of any other denomination, who applies to be received as a candidate for Orders in this Church, may be allewed by the Bishop, with the consent of the members of the Standing Committee, the period of time during which he has been a student of Theology, or candidate in such other denomination: provided, the time so allowed does not exceed two years.
- Sec. 6. When any person not a citizen of the United States, who has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister among any other denomination of Christians, shall apply for Orders in this Church, the Bishop to whom application is made, shall require of him (in addition to the above qualifications) satisfactory evidence that he has resided at least one year in the United States previous to his application.

# DIRECTIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS WISHING TO BE ORDAINED DEACONS.

Can. XV.—(Sect. 2.) A candidate for Holy Orders wishing to be ordained a Deacon, must lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial in the following words:

" To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Western New York:"

"We, whose names are hereunder written, do testify from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this—day of—, in the year of our Lord—."

The above certificate is to be subscribed by the minister and vestry of the parish where the candidate resides, or by the vestry alone if the parish be vacant, (of which circumstance the Committee must be duly certified,) and must contain the names of at least a majority of all the Wardens and Vestrymen. The respective titles of the Minister, Wardens and Vestrymen must be attached to their signatures. If there is no vestry where the candidate resides, the circumstance must be certified to the Committee, and then the testimonial must be signed by at least twelve respectable persons of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is not absolutely essential that the signers of this testimonial should be personally acquainted with the candidate; they may act upon a satisfactory knowledge of his character from any other

source.

The candidate must also lay before the Standing Committee a certificate in the following words:

"To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Western New York:"

past, hath lived piously, soberly and honestly; and hath not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of Deacons. This testimonial is founded on my personal knowledge of the said A. B., for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this—day of—, in the year of our Lord—."

The above testimonial must be signed by at least one respectable presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. The Standing Committee may then sign the canonical recommendation to the Bishop for Orders; which the candidate is to exhibit to the Bishop.

#### DIRECTIONS FOR DEACONS WISHING TO BE ORDAINED PRIESTS.

A Deacon wishing to be ordered a Priest, must lay before the Standing Committee the same testimonials, subscribed in the same way, as those required of him on his application for ordination as a Deacon; except (Sect. 5.) that they may be so altered as to extend to such portion only of the three years preceding his application for Priest's Orders as has elapsed since his ordination as Deacon; and except also, that if he be the minister of the parish, the testimonial of piety, good morals, and orderly conduct, shall be signed by the vestry alone. The Standing Committee may then give him the canonical recommendation for Orders, which he is to exhibit to the Bishop.

No person shall be ordained Priest, unless he shall produce to the Bishop a satisfactory certificate, from some church, parish, er congregation, that he is engaged with them, and that they will receive him as their minister; or unless he be a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he belongs; or in the employment of some missionary society recognized by the General Convention; or unless he be engaged as a professor, tutor, or instructor of youth in some college, academy, or other seminary of learning duly incorporated.\*

Candidates for ordination as Priests or Deacons, are referred to the following further provisions.

Canon XV.—(Sect. 3.)—If the candidate, from peculiar circumstances not affecting his pious or moral character, shall be unable to

For the case of one who has officiated as a minister, or been a licentiate, or student of theology of another denomination, see Canon VII, of the General Convention of 1838,—page 113 of this Journal.

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· 60	Le Roy			
•6	Sheldon	• • •	St. John's	[No collection.]
66	Weathersfield	• • • •	St. Clement's	12 00
Jefferson	.Brownville	• • •	St. Paul's	14 00
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**	Penfield	•••	Trinity	[No collection.]
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44	Vienna		
	.Medina		[No collection.]
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Steuben	.Bath	St. Thomas'	27 69
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66	Hector		
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N. B. The several objects to which the above sums were applied, are noted in their respective columns in the table of parochial statistics.

# APPENDIX,

#### No. VII.

## MISSIONARY APPOINTMENTS FOR WESTERN NEW YORK,

## **OCTOBER**, 1840,

## With the Amount due January 1, 1841.

COUNTIES.	STATIONS.	missionaries. * A	MOUNT.
		Rev. Lewis Thibou†	
	Hunt's Hollow, & Por-		
46	tage Falls		
Broome	Harpersville		
		Rev. Thomas Morris	31 .25
"		Rev. Humphrey Hollis	
Cayuga	Moravia and Aurora	Rev. Beardsley Northrop	31 25
44	Montezuma and parts		
46	adjacent	Rev. T. M. Leavenworth	31 25
Chemung	Jefferson and Havanna,		
"	Big Flatts and Cor-	•	
	ning, Steuben county		
Chenango	Guilford and Mount	:	
"		Rev. David Huntington	31 25
44	Norwich	Rev. L. A. Barrows	<b>81 25</b>
44	Sherburne	Rev. Thomas Towell	31 25
Chatauque	Fredonia and Forrest-		
64	villo	Rev. Lucius Smith	31 25
u.	Mayville & Jamestown	Rev. N. Huse	31 25

<sup>1.</sup> NOTE. Several changes have occurred in this list of Missionaries since the Convention.

<sup>2. †</sup>For the quarterly stipend due 1st January, 1841, the Missionaries will draw on William S. Philpot, Esq., Canandagiua, Ontario county, Western New York.

<sup>3.</sup> No drafts will hereafter be paid in New York city.

<sup>4.</sup> No drafts are paid in advance.

<sup>5.</sup> No drafts are payable except for services actually rendered.

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I-#		. Rev. Thomas Meachem.	. 31	23
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44		Rev. N. Watkins		OK.
46	•	Rev. F. Rogers		
		Rev. J. R. Bayley		
		Rev. H. S. Attwater		
	.The whole county	•	01	4.,
	Hamilton and Water			
**************************************		.Rev. F. C. Brown	91	95
66	Perryville and Cazeno		. 01	20
	•	.Rev. W. M. Weber, M. D	21	95
		Rev. Tapping R. Chipman		
14 VIII VC-,	Honeoye Falls and		9 01	20
66		Rev. N. F. Bruce, M. D	91	95
Nison	Lewiston and Young	•	. 01	40
ee		.Rev. Rufus Murray	91	95
46	Niagara Falls & Tou		, 01	<i>4</i> 0 ·
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64		Rev. Stephen McHugh	31	95
46		Rev. Henry Lockwood		
Onondaga		Rev. S. M. Bartlett		
"		Rev. T. J. Ruger		
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No. VIII.

### COMMITTEES OF THE CONVENTION.

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" Benjamin Hale, D. D.

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" William Shelton, D. D.

" Lucius Smith,

Jonas Earll, Jun.

Chester Griswold,

George B. Webster.

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Gary V. Sackett, John E. Hinman,
Mr. Thomas H. Rochester.

# TRUSTEES OF THE CHRISTMAS FUND FOR DISABLED CLERGYMEN.

Mr. Joseph G. Swift, Mr. Thomas H. Hubbard. Mr. James Reese.

### SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

### ON OBTAINING PLANS AND ESTIMATES

FOR CHURCH EDIFICES.

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### COMMITTEE OF INQUIRY

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Messrs. Rutger B. Miller, Messrs. Hiram Denio, Robert C. Nicholas, William C. Pi John E. Hinman,

William C. Pierrepont.

### ON PROVIDING A RECORD

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Messrs. Washington Hunt, Rev. Ebenezer H. Cressey. Robert C. Nicholas,

#### ON THE NUMBER OF TRUSTEES

OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY TO WHICH THIS DIOCESE IS ENTITLED.

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Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D. Mr. John E. Hinman. " 'Pierre A. Proal, D. D.

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W. S. PHILPOT, Esq., Canandaigua.

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# APPENDIX

No. IX.

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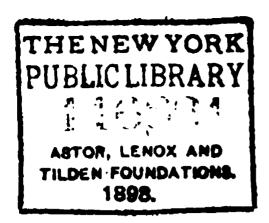
HELD IN TRINITY CHURCH, IN THE CITY OF UTICA,
On Wednesday, August 18th, and Thursday, August 19th,
A. D., 1841.

TO WHICH IS PREFIXED

A LIST OF THE CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE.

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### FORM OF THE CERTIFICATE TO BE GIVEN TO LAY DEPUTIES.

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED, That at a meeting of the Vestry of in the County of , held Church, in day of on the 184 , Mr. was duly elected a Lay-Deputy to the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western New York, to be held in on the day of next; and that the said Deputy is entitled to vote for Wardens and Vestrymen in the said Church. Dated this 184 . day of

Rector.
Warden.
Clerk of

the Vestry.

N. B. If more than one Deputy be chosen, a certificate in the above form may be given to each, or the names of all may be included in one certificate, varying the language accordingly.

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# LIST OF THE CLERGY

#### OF THE

### DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW YORK.

### AUGUST 18TH, 1841.

- THE Right Rev. William Heathcote De Lancey, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese.
- Rev. Charles G. Acly, Rector of Trinity Church, Seneca Falls, Seneca county.
  - "William Allanson, in the service of the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church.
  - " Edward Andrews, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Binghamton, Broome county.
  - " Samuel G. Appleton, Missionary at West Avon, Livingston county.
  - "Henry S. Attwater, Missionary at Hunt's Hollow, Portageville, and Nunda, Alleghany county.
  - " Amos G. Baldwin, residing at Auburn.
  - " Liberty A. Barrows, Missionary at Norwich, Chenango county.
  - " Josiah M. Bartlett, Missionary at Fayetteville, Onondaga county.
  - " John Bayley, residing at Owego.
  - " James A. Bolles, Rector of St. James' Church, Batavia, Genesee county.
  - " Edward Bourns, Deacon, Adjunct Professor of Languages, Geneva College.
  - "William W. Bostwick, Missionary at Hammond's Port and Wayne, Steuben county.
- " Fortune C. Brown, Deacon, Missionary at Waterville, Oneida county, and Hamilton, Madison county.
- " Thomas S. Brittain, Rector of Zion Church, Palmyra, Wayne county.

- Rev. Nathaniel F. Bruce, M. D., Missionary at Scottsville, Honeoye Falls, and Penfield, Monroe county.
  - " Nathan B. Burgess, residing at Rome.
  - " Leverett Bush, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Oxford, Chenango county.
  - " Lucius Carter, Missionary at South Danby, Tompkins county, and Candor, Tioga county.
  - "Tapping R. Chipman, Missionary at Brockport and Clarkson, Monroe county.
  - " Joseph T. Clark, Rector of St. James' Church, Skaneateles, Onondaga county.
  - " Samuel Cooke, Missionary at Lyons, Wayne county.
  - " Charles D. Cooper, Deacon, Missionary at Mount Morris, Livingston county.
  - " Levi H. Corson, Missionary at Clyde, Wayne county.
  - " Ebenezer H. Cressey, Rector of Christ Church, Lockport, Niegara county.
  - "William Croswell, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Auburn, Cayuga county.
  - " Seth Davis, Rector of Christ Church, Manlius, Onondaga county.
  - "George Denison, Rector of Grace Church, Lockport, Niagara county.
  - " Stephen Douglass, Missionary at Medina, Orleans county.
  - "William E. Eigenbrodt, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge, Chenango county.
  - " Edmund Embury, residing at Penn Yan.
  - "George B. Engle, Missionary at Granby, Oswego county, and Baldwinsville, Onondaga county.
  - "John F. Ernst, Deacon, Principal of an Academy, Batavia, Genesee county.
  - " John P. Fenner, residing at New Hartford.
  - " Erastus B. Foote, Rector of Calvary Church, Homer, Cortland county.
  - " Isaac Garvin, residing at Aurora.
  - " John D. Gilbert, residing near Palmyra.
  - "George D. Gillespie, Deacon, Minister of St. Mark's Church, Le Roy, Genesee county.
  - "Henry Gregory, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, Onondaga county.
  - " Asa Griswold, Deacon, Missionary at Guilford and Mount Upton, Chenango county.
  - "Benjamin Hale, D. D., President of Geneva College, Geneva, Ontario county.
  - " Cicero S. Hawks, Rector of Trinity Church, Buffalo.
  - "William W. Hickox, Missionary at Centrefield and East Bloomfield, Ontario county.
  - " Humphrey Hollis, Missionary at Olean, Cattaraugus county.
  - "Andrew Hull, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, New Berlin, Chenango county.
  - " David Huntington, residing at Guilford.

- Rev. Nathaniel Huse, Missionary at Mayville and Jamestown, Chautauque county.
  - " Pierre P. Irving, Rector of Trinity Church, Geneva, Ontario county.
  - "Bethel Judd, D. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Ithaca, Tompkins county.
  - " James Keeler, residing at Harpersville, Broome county.
  - "T. M. Leavenworth, residing at Syracuse.
  - " Henry Lockwood, Missionary at Rome, Oneida county.
  - " Alfred Louderback, Missionary at Owego, Tioga county.
  - " John McCarty, Rector of Christ Church, Oswego, Oswego county.
  - "Stephen McHugh, Missionary at Holland Patent and Oriskany, and Principal of Hobart Hall, Oneida county.
  - "Thomas Meachem, Missionary at Richmond, Ontario county, and Weathersfield Springs, Genesee county.
  - " Kendrick Metcalf, Rector of Trinity Church, Elmira, Chemung county.
  - " Stephen C. Millet, Missionary at Jamesville and Pompey, Onondaga county.
  - " Thomas Morris, Missionary at Ellicotville, Cattaraugus county.
  - "Rufus Murray, Missionary at Lewiston and Youngstown, Niagara county.
  - " Major A. Nickerson, Deacon, Missionary at Catherine and Milport, Chemung county.
  - " John Noble, Missionary at Sackett's Harbor, Jefferson county.
  - "Beardsley Northrop, Missionary at Moravia and Aurora, Cayuga county.
  - " George H. Norton, residing at Richmond.
  - " George Ogle, Deacon.
  - " William P. Page.
  - " Albert C. Patterson, Rector of Grace Church, Utica.
  - "Henry Peck, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Paris Hill, Oneida county.
  - " Marcus A. Perry, Principal of the Classical and Commercial Lyceum, Utica.
  - "George S. Porter, Missionary at Niagara Falls, and Tonawanda, Niagara county.
  - "Augustine P. Prevost, Rector of St. John's Church, Canandaigua, Ontario county,
  - " Pierre A. Proal, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Utica.
  - "Ferdinand Rogers, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Brownville, and Missionary at Dexter, Jefferson county.
  - "John C. Rudd, D. D., Professor of Moral Science, and of the Evidences of Christianity in Hobart Hall, Holland Patent, and Editor of the Gospel Messenger and Church Record of Western New York, Utica.
  - " Thomas J. Ruger, Missionary at Marcellus, Onondaga county.
  - "William Shelton, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Buffalo.
  - " Lucius Smith, Missionary at Fredonia, and Forrestville, Chautauque county.

- Rev. Richard Smith, Missionary at Corning, Steuben county, and Big Flatts, Chemung county.
  - \* Erastus Spalding, Missionary at Vienna, Ontario county, and Newark, Wayne county.
  - James O. Stokes, Missionary at Harpersville, Broome county.
  - Benjamin W. Stone, Missionary at Penn Yan, Yates county.
  - James Sunderland, Missionary at Bridgewater, Oneida county.
  - Isaac Swart, Missionary at Montesuma, Cayuga county, and Jordan, Onondaga county.
  - Lewis Thibou, jr., Missionary at Angelica, Alleghany county.
  - Thomas Towell, Missionary at Sherburne, Chenango county.
  - <sup>66</sup> Amos C. Treadway, residing at Oswego.
  - John V. Van Ingen, Rector of Zion Church, Greene, Chenango county.
  - "Washington Van Zandt, Rector of Grace Church, Rochester.
  - Gershom P. Waldo, Deacon, Principal of a School at Portageville, Alleghany county.
  - " Nathaniel Watkins, Missionary at Cape Vincent, Jefferson county.
  - William M. Weber, M. D., Missionary at Perryville, Madison county.
  - Eli Wheeler, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Waterloo, Seneca county.
  - " Russel Wheeler.
  - "Phinehas L. Whipple, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Bath, Steuben county.
  - " Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Rochester.
  - Hobart Williams, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, Oneida county.
  - <sup>66</sup> Lloyd Windsor, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Geneseo, Livingston county.

The following Clergymen are officiating in the Diocese, although not yet canonically transferred, viz:

Rev. John F. Fish, Rector of Trinity Church, Watertown, Jefferson county.

"Charles B. Stout, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Westfield, Chautauque county.

TOTAL—Clergy 99.

## LIST OF THE CLERGY WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

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" Hobart Williams,

u Lloyd Windsor.

### LIST OF LAY DEPUTIES WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

Cayuga county—Auburn, St. Peter's Church, George B. Throop, B. Hamilton Myers, George H. Wood.

Chemung county—Elmira, Trinity Church, Walter Ayrault.

Chenango county—Greene, Zion Church, Joseph Juliand.

New Berlin, St. Andrews Church, Noah Ely. Oxford, St. Paul's Church, James Clapp.

Cortland county—Homer, Calvary Church, Dr. A. F. Dodge.

Erie county—Buffalo, Trinity Church, J. Radcliff, Dyer Tillinghast, James De Long.

Genesee county—Batavia, St. James' Church, William Seaver, David Smith.

Jefferson county—Pierrepont Manor, Zion Church, William C. Pierrepont.

Lewis county—Lowville, Trinity Church, William McCullock, M. M. Norton.

Livingston county—Mount Morris, St. John's Church, Jesse Peterson.

Madison County—Hamilton, St. Thomas' Church, Ab'm Bartlett, jr. Perryville, St. Stephen's Church, Silas Judd.

Monroe county—Rochester, Grace Church, David Graves, Hiram Leonard.

St. Luke's Church, Henry E. Rochester, Graham H. Chapin. Niagara county—Lockport, Christ Church, Lot Clarke, S. Pettibone, S. Stearns.

Oneida county—Bridgewater, Christ Church, E. Brown, J. Southworth.

Holland Patent, St. Paul's Church, Bryant Young.

Oriskany, St. Peter's Church, James A. Reynolds, Nathaniel Tompkins.

New Hartford, St. Stephen's Church, Zedekiah Sanger, Peter Hull.

Paris, St. Paul's Church, Charles Blakeslee, David Stiles.

Rome, Zion Church, Jay Hathaway, John Wood, John Stryker. Utica, Grace Church, John E. Hinman, Samuel Beardsley, P.B. Peckham.

Trinity Church, R. B. Miller, J. Benedict, Chester Griswold. Waterville, Grace Church, George W. Cleaveland, Timothy Babcock.

Onondaga County—Fayetteville, Trinity Church, John Sprague, Adna Treat.

Manlius, Christ Church, Elijah E. May.

Marcellus, St. John's Church, Hiram Wood.

Syracuse, St. Paul's Church, William A. Cook, Jonas Earll, jr. Henry Easton.

Ontario county—Canandaigua, St. John's Church, Charles Seymour, Geneva, Trinity Church, James Rees, W. S. De Zeng, David Hudson.

Seneca county-Seneca Falls, Trinity Church, Anthony Dey.

Waterloo, St. Paul's Church, John Watkins, Charles T. Freebody, Isaac Pinkney.

Tioga county—Ithaca, St. John's Church, John King. Wayne county—Lyons, Grace Church, W. M. Cole.

The following Clergymen, entitled to seats, were not present at the Convention:

Rev. Edward Andrews, D. D.

"Henry S. Attwater,
"William W. Bostwick,
"Thomas S. Brittain,
"Nathaniel F. Bruce, M. D.,
"Lucius Carter,
"Tapping R. Chipman,
"George Denison,
"George D. Gillespie,
"Humphrey Hollis,

Rev. Alfred Louderback,
"Thomas Meachem,
"Thomas Morris,

" Rufus Murray,

" Major A. Nickerson,

" John Noble,

" Beardsley Northrop,

" George S. Porter, " Erastus Spalding,

" Isaac Swart,

" Washington Van Zandt

The following Clergymen, not entitled to seats, were present at the sitting of the Convention:

Rev. Daniel Burhans, D. D., of the Diocese of Connecticut.

" S. G. Hitchcock,

Nathaniel Huse,

u

William Baker, of the Diocese of New York.

" W. S. Bartlett, "
R. Campbell, "

" J. Huntington, " "
" Daniel Shephard, "

" S. Wheaton, D. D., "

Nathan B. Burgess, of the Diocese of Western New York.

" David Huntington, " "
" Amos C. Treadway. "

" John F. Fish, officiating at Watertown, Jefferson county.

" John Morgan, of the Diocese of North Carolina.

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OF THE

### PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

## Utica, Wednesday, August 18th, 1841.

This being the day fixed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western New York, for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the same, the Right Rev. WILLIAM HEATHCOTE DE LANCEY, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, with a number of the Clergy and Laity, assembled at 10 o'clock, A. M., in Trinity Church, in the city of Utica, the place appointed by the Bishop for the meeting.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. John V. Van Ingen, assisted by the Rev. Cicero S. Hawks, who read the lessons; and a sermon was preached by the Rev. Benjamin Hale, D. D. The Bishop then administered the Holy Communion, in which he was assisted by the Rev. Eli Wheeler, Rev. John McCarty, and Rev. William Croswell.

The Convention having been called to order by the Bishop, the Secretary of the last Convention proceeded, under his direction, to call the names of such of the Clergy in the Diocese of Western New York, as, by the Constitution, are entitled to seats in the Convention; when the following gentlemen answered to their names and took their seats as members, viz:—

Right Rev. William Heathcote De Lancey, D. D., The Rev. Charles S. Acly, S. G. Appleton, Liberty A. Barrows, Josiah M. Bartlett, James A. Bolles, Edward Bourns, Fortune C. Brown, Leverett Bush, D. D., Joseph T. Clark, Samuel Cooke, Charles D. Cooper, Levi H. Corson, Ebenezer H. Cressey, William Croswell, Seth Davis, Stephen Douglass, William E. Eigenbrodt, George B. Engle, Erastus B. Foot. Henry Gregory, Asa Griswold, Benjamin Hale, D. D., Cicero S. Hawks, William W. Hickox, Andrew Hull, Pierre P. Irving,

Bethel Judd, D. D., Henry Lockwood, John McCarty, Stephen Mc-Hugh, Kendrick Metcalf. Stephen C. Millet, Albert C. Patterson, Henry Peck, Pierre A. Proal. D. D., Ferdinand Rogers, John C. Rudd, D. D., William Shelton, D. D., Lucius Smith, Richard Smith, James O. Stokes, Benjamin W. Stone, James Sunderland. Lewis Thibou, jr., Thomas Towell, John V. Van Ingen, Nathaniel Watkins, William M. Weber, M. D., Eli Wheeler, Phinehas L. Whipple, Hobart Williams, Lloyd Windsor.

The Churches of the Diocese having been called, in order, for the certificates of Lay Deputies,

The Chair appointed the Rev. William E. Eigenbrodt, and the Rev. Cicero S. Hawks, under the third rule of order, to examine the same with the Secretary.

It was then on motion of Dr. Proal,

Resolved, That the Convention take a recess until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Whereupon the house took a recess until 3 o'clock.

### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, 3 O'CLOCK.

The Convention re-assembled.

The Committee to whom were referred the certificates of Lay Deputies, having reported, the Secretary proceeded to call the Churches in order, when the following gentlemen appeared as Lay Deputies and took their seats, viz: from

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DEPUTIES.
Cayuga	.St. Peter's, Auburn	Geo. B. Throop.
		P. Hamilton Myers.
Chemung	.Trinity, Elmira	. Walter Ayrault.
	Zion, Greene	
•	St. Andrews, New Berlin	. Noah Ely.
	St. Paul's, Oxford	.James Clapp.
Cortland	.Calvary, Homer	
	.Trinity, Buffalo	
•		Dyer Tillinghast.
		James De Long.
Genesoe	.St. James', Batavia	. Wm. Seaver.
	.Zion, Pierrepont Manor	

counties.	CHURCHES.	DEPUTIES.
Lewis	Trinity, Lowville	.Wm. McCullock.
	•	M. M. Norton.
Livingston	St. John's, Mount Morris.	Jesse Peterson.
	St. Thomas', Hamilton	
	St. Stephen's, Perryville	
	Grace, Rochester	
	St. Luke's, de	Graham H. Chapin.
Nicasa	Christ, Lockport	
1419Ra19		S. Pettibone.
	_	J. Stearns.
. Oneida	Christ, Bridgewater	
	. 3	E. Brown.
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	St. Peter's, Oriskany	
		Nathan Tompkins.
	St. Stephen's, New Hartford	
` '	St. Paul's, Paris	<del></del>
ı	7: Dame	David Styles.
	Zion, Rome	John Wood.
·		John Stryker.
	Grace, Utica	John E. Hinman
	diaco, onco-initiation	Samuel Beardsley.
		P. B. Peckham.
•	Trinity, Utica	
		Joseph Benedict.
		Chester Griswold.
Onondaga'	Trinity, Fayetteville	
		John Sprague.
	St. Paul's, Syracuse	<del>-</del>
		Jonas Earll, jr.
Ontonio	St. John's, Canandaigua	Henry Easton.
	Trinity, Geneva	James Reces
•	eribity, concrate the tree to	W. S. De Zeng.
		David Hudson.
Seneca	Frinity, Seneca Falls	_
	St. Paul's, Waterloo	
	•	Charles T. Freebody.
		Isaac Pinkney.
	St. Paul's, Owego	
	St. John's, Ithaca	
Wayne	Grace, Lyons	W. M. Cole.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Proal, the following were adopted as the

### RULES OF ORDER:

IN CONDUCTING THE BUSINESS OF THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW YORK.

- I. At the opening of any session of the Convention, the President shall take the chair, and shall continue to preside during its sitting. He shall possess the usual powers of presiding officers in deliberative assemblies, to preserve order and decorum, and shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house. He shall have the right to name any clerical member to perform the duties of the chair, but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment, unless directed by the house. The person so named shall possess all the powers of the President, but shall not lose the right of voting while so presiding.
- II. If the Secretary of the preceding Convention be in attendance, he shall officiate as such, until another be chosen. If he be not present, or there shall be none, a temporary Secretary may be appointed on motion, by a viva voce vote.
- shall call over the names of the clergy entitled to seats in the Convention, and shall enter in the Journals those who are present. Notice shall then be given to the Lay-deputies to place their certificates on the table. They shall be examined by the Secretary and a committee of two members to be appointed by the President. Any irregular or defective certificate shall be suspended until a quorum shall have appeared. The names of the lay-deputies duly appointed shall then be called, and those who are present shall be entered on the Journals. The irregular and defective certificates shall then be reported to the Convention, who shall decide on the admission of the deputies named in them.
- IV. A constitutional quorum being found to be present, the President shall declare the Convention duly organized.
- V. A Secretary shall then be chosen in the manner prescribed by the canons. He may appoint an assistant, who shall perform all the duties of the office, in the absence of the Secretary.
- VI. The following standing committees shall then be appointed by the President:
  - 1. On the admission into union with this Convention of churches applying for the same, to consist of one clergy-man and two laymen.
  - 2. On the accounts of the Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled clergymea, to consist of three laymen.
  - 3. On the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention, to consist of three laymen.

- VII. A Treasurer of the Convention, and a Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled clergymen, shall then be appointed by ballot, unless dispensed with by an unanimous vote, when they may be appointed on motion.
- VIII. After the Daily Morning Prayer, the order of business, which shall not be departed from without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, shall be as follows:
  - i. The reading, correcting, and approving of the minutes of the preceding day.
  - ii. Calling the names of absent members, and entering in the Journal those who appear.
  - iii. Reports from standing committees in the following order:—
  - 1. From the committee on the admission into union with the Convention of this Diocese of churches applying for that purpose.
  - 2. From the Trustees of the Christmas Fund for disabled clergymen.
  - 3. From the committee on the Treasurer's accounts.
  - iv. Reports from the Secretary, and Treasurer, when those officers have any business committed to them, shall then be in order: and then reports from the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate, and from the Trustees of the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen.
  - v. Reports from special committees in the order in which they were appointed.
  - vi. Motions, resolutions, and miscellaneous business.
  - IX. The Bishop's Address shall be in order at any time.
- X. Every member who shall be present when a question is stated from the Chair shall vote thereon unless excused by the house.
- XI. No motion shall be put or debated until it is seconded; and when seconded it shall be stated by the President before debate, and every motion shall be reduced to writing when required by the President, or any member.
- XII. If the question in debate contain several distinct propositions, any member may have the same divided.
- XIII. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received unless to postpone it indefinitely; to postpone it to a certain time; to lay it on the table; to commit it or amend it; and motions for either of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. But a motion to adjourn shall always be in order when no member is speaking, and shall be decided without debate; and if it be negatived, it shall not be renewed until some other business has intervened.

- XIV. A motion to lay on the table shall be decided without debate.
- XV. On a question being put by the President, it shall be determined by the sound of voices, for or against it, but any member may require a count of the votes, and tellers for that purpose shall be appointed by the chair—or any three votes may, previous to a decision by count, require the ayes and noes to be taken, which shall be done by calling the names of the clerical members and the charches represented, and the votes shall be entered in the Journals.
- XVI. Any five votes may require the ayes and noes to be taken by orders, and when so taken, they shall be entered on the minutes.
- XVII. No member may speak more than twice on the same question without leave of the house.
- XVIII. A question being decided, shall not be re-considered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the votes of the Convention, nor without the motion for that purpose being made by one of the majority on the prior decision: nor shall any question be reconsidered more than once.
- XIX. All special committees shall be appointed by the chair, unless otherwise specially directed by the house, in which case they shall be appointed by ballot.
- XX. The election of the Standing Committee, and of Deputies to the General Convention, and the election of any person to supply a vacancy in the Board of Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, or in the Board of Trustees of the Christmas fund for disabled Clergymen, shall be the first business, after the approval of the minutes, on the second day of every annual meeting of the Convention.
- XXI. No standing rule or order shall be suspended, changed, or rescinded without one day's previous notice of a motion to that effect, unless by the votes of two-thirds of the persons present entitled to vote.
- XXII. Before the final adjournment of any session of the Convention, the minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read, corrected, and approved.
- XXIII. Unless otherwise ordered by the Convention, it shall meet at nine o'clock in the morning, take a recess from one to three o'clock in the afternoon, and adjourn for the day at six o'clock P. M.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot for a Secretary:—whereupon the Rev. Pierre A. Proal, D. D., was chosen.

The Secretary announced to the house that he appointed the Rev. William E. Eigenbrodt his assistant.

On motion of Dr. Proal,

Resolved, That Clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention; Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese; and Professors and Students of Theology in the Protestant Episcopal Church, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention.

The Chair then announced the following Standing Committees, according to the 6th rule of order:

On the admission into Union with this Convention of Churches applying for the same.

Rev. Dr. Whitehouse, Mesers. Dyer Tillinghast, Rutger B. Miller.

On the accounts of the Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen.

Messrs. Henry E. Rochester, William Seaver, Joseph Juliand.

On the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention.

Mesers. William C. Pierrepont, John E. Hinman, David Hudson.

The following Churches applied for admission into union with the Convention, viz:

St. Luke's Church, Granby, Oswego county.

Grace Church, Waterville, Oneida county.

St. John's Church, Cape Vincent, Jefferson county.

Christ Church, Corning, Steuben county.

Christ Church, Jordan, Onondaga county.

On motion of the Secretary, the applications were referred to the Standing Committee "on the admission of Churches into union with the Convention."

The house then proceeded, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Proal, to ballot for a Treasurer of the Convention, and a Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen.

On counting the votes it appeared that

CHARLES SEYMOUR, Esq.,

was unanimously elected Treasurer of the Convention, and

Major James Reese

unanimously elected Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen.

On motion,

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed by the Chair to take into consideration the subject of providing a residence for the

Bishop of the Diocese, with instructions to report during the present session of this Convention.

The Chair then appointed the Rev. Dr. Shelton, Rev. Henry Gregory, and Messrs. William S. De Zeng, William C. Pierrepont, and Henry E. Rochester, to constitute such committee.

The Bishop then, in compliance with the Canon, delivered the following

### ADDRESS.

# BRETHERN — THE CLERICAL AND LAY MEMBERS OF THE CONVENTION.—

Being spared to meet for the fourth time since my election as your Bishop in Convention to cousult for the good of the Church of the Redeemer in this portion of the vineyard I would ask you to recognise with me, in humble thankfulness, the gracious providence which still keeps the Diocese in peace and harmony and enables us to meet again as brethren dwelling together in unity, with hearts warmed to Christ and to each other, and with minds bent on promoting the cause of our Master, not by excitements, but by measures of permanent and solid usefulness.

Preparatory to entering on the business of the Convention I shall lay before you, in obedience to the requisitions of the Canons, the record of my official proceedings since the last Convention, with such suggestions and information on other topics as the state of the Diocese appears to me to demand.

Immediately after the adjournment of the Convention, I held a confirmation on Saturday, October 3d, in St. Paul's Church, Buffalo, on which occasion I preached and confirmed ten persons.

On Sunday morning of the 4th, I officiated in the church used by the Episcopalians at Niagara Falls, Niagara county.

In the afternoon of the same day, I preached in St. Paul's Church, Lewiston, and confirmed one person.

On Sunday, the 11th October, I officiated both morning and evening in the Court House at Lyons.

On Sunday afternoon of the 18th, I preached in St. Bartholomew's Church, in the city of New York.

On Monday the 19th, I attended meeting of the Domestic Committee of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

On the 21st of October, I received into this Diocese, on a letter of dismission from the Diocese of New York, the Rev. Benjamin M. Stone, Deacon, who having acted as Missionary at Clyde, Wayne county, for some months, in May last became the Missionary at Penn Yan, where he continues to officiate.

On Sunday the 25th. I preached in the Church of the Ascension, in the city of *Philadelphia*, and baptized one child. In the afternoon I preached in St. Peter's, *Philadelphia*, and baptized one child, and preached again in the evening in the same Church.

On Thursday evening the 29th, I preached in St. James' Church, Philadelphia.

On Sunday, the 1st November, I preached and administered the Holy communion in Grace Church, and preached again in the afternoon in St. Mark's Church, New York city.

On Wednesday, Nov. 4th, I attended the special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, to receive the nomination of the Professor of Ecclesiastical History, consequent upon the resignation of that professorship, by Bishop Whittingham. The Rev. John D. Ogilvie was nominated, and at a subsequent meeting duly elected.

Missionary Board of the Diocese of Western New York, I completed with C. N. S. Rowland, Esq., Treasurer of the Education and Missionary Society of the 'Diocese of New York, the settlement of the accounts between the two Dioceses, receiving from him a balance of \$596, in his check to order of W. S. Philpot, treasurer of this Diocese, and also a certificate of stocks, and bonds and mortgages for \$10,-150, transferred for a permanent fund for Missions in the Diocese of Western New York, and duly assigned to Alexander B. Johnson, Esq., of Utica, as Trustee, which I afterwards, viz: on the 11th day of November inst, in the presence of Rev. Dr. Proal, placed in the hands of Mr. Johnson, to be retained by him, until another Trustee should be appointed, he being constrained by his numerous duties, to decline the office of Trustee.

On Friday, Nov. 13th, I admitted, on a certificate of the Standing Committee, Mr. Edward DeZeng, as a candidate for orders in this Diocese.

On Sunday, Nov. 15th, I preached in the afternoon in Trinity Church, Geneva.

I spent Sunday the 22d at Clyde, Wayne county, where services were held in the Methodist House, for the congregation of St. John's Church in that village. In the morning I read prayers, baptized one adult, confirmed eight persons, preached and administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon I read prayers and preached.

On Sunday morning the 29th Nov., I preached in Trinity Church Geneva, and administered the Holy Communion in the same Church, on Sunday morning, December 6th.

On the 5th of December, I received into this Diocese, on a letter of dismission from the Diocese of New York, the Rev. John Noble, who is laboring as a Missionary at Sackett's Harbor, Jefferson county.

On the 9th December, I received into this Diocese, on a letter of dismission from the Diocese of Connecticut, the Rev. Josiah M. Bartlett, who has been appointed the Missionary at Fayetteville, Onondaga county.

On the 13th December, on the 20th December, and on Christmas day, I preached in Trinity Church Geneva.

On the 27th I preached both morning and afternoon in St. Paul's Church, Waterloo.

On the 30th I attended with much gratification, the annual examination of the Sunday School of Trinity Church, Geneva, in the Catechism, and delivered to them a brief address.

On the same day, I gave a letter of dismission to the Rev. John B. Gallagher, to the Diocese of South Carolina, he being compelled by feeble health, to seek in the South a more congenial climate. By his resignation, St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, became vacant. It has happily been supplied by the call of the Rev. Henry Gregory, of Homer.

On the 7th of January, 1841, I received into this Diocese, from the Diocese of New York, the Rev. Thomas S. Brittain, who has accepted a call to Zion Church, Palmyra, vacant by the resignation of the Rev. C. M. Butler.

On Sunday, 10th January, I preached in the afternoon in Trinity Church, Geneva.

On Thursday, 14th January, I had the very great satisfaction of consecrating to the service of Almighty God, the beautiful edifice erected by the congregation of Grace Church Lyons, Wayne county, and preached on the occasion. And on the evening of the same day, I held a Confirmation in the same Church, and Confirmed twelve persons; the sermon was preached by the Rev. P. P. Irving.

On Sunday, the 17th, I preached both morning and afternoon in St. Mark's Church, Penn Yan.

On Sunday, the 24th, I preached in the morning in Trinity Church, Geneva.

On Sunday, the 31st, I preached both morning and afternoon in St. John's Church, Sodus, confirming in the afternoon six persons, and on the evening of the same day, I preached in the School house at Sodus Point.

On Monday, February 1st, I preached in the evening, in the Presbyterian House, in Newark, Wayne county.

I visited St. Paul's Church, Waterloo, on Sunday, the 7th, where I preached twice, in the afternoon confirming thirteen persons.

On the afternoon of Sunday, the 14th, I preached in Trinity Church, Geneva.

Sunday, the 21st, I preached twice in Trinity Church, Utica, and confirmed in the morning twenty-nine persons.

On Ash-Wednesday, the 24th, I preached in the morning in St. Peter's Church, Oriskany, and confirmed eight persons.

On the evening of the same day I preached at Grace Church, Utica, and confirmed six persons, two of them belonging to Trinity Church, Utica.

On Monday, the 28th, I preached both morning and afternoon at St. Paul's Church, Holland Patent, and confirmed in the morning sixteen persons, of whom eight were students in Hobart Hall, of

which Institution I have been constituted Visitor by the Trustees, and in which during my visit, I witnessed a creditable public examination, and exhibition by the pupils, and was much gratified to see the interest taken in the Institution by the community among whom it is placed, and by others. It promises to become a valuable nursery for the Church.

On March 2d, I preached morning and evening in Christ Church, Manlius, then a vacant parish. The zeal and piety of the Vestry in keeping the church open by lay reading during the vacancy, cannot be too highly commended. I would it were practised in all parishes in the Diocese, similarly situated.

On Wednesday afternoon I preached in St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, where, I am rejoiced to say, vigorous measures are commenced for the immediate erection of a new stone Church edifice. The corner stone was laid in July, and the superstructure is steadily advancing towards completion, promising an edifice alike worthy of the zeal of the congregation, and the rapidly expanding size of that important town.

Sunday the 7th March, the season appointed by the Church, I held an ordination in Trinity Church, Geneva, at which I admitted Mr. Edward Bourns, adjunct Professor of Languages in Geneva College, and Mr. Charles D. Cooper, to the Holy Order of Deacons.

Sunday the 14th, I preached twice in Trinity Church, Seneca Falls, Seneca county, confirming in the afternoon seventeen persons, and in the evening of the same day I preached and baptized two adults in the Presbyterian House, Cayuga Bridge, Cayuga county. Here I also baptized four children.

Wednesday evening, March 17th, I preached in Trinity Church, Geneva, in which Church also on Sunday, March 28th, I held a confirmation, preached and confirmed eleven persons.

On the 31st of this month the Rev. Clement M. Butler was at his request canonically transferred to the Diocese of Maryland, to which he had removed some time during the preceding year.

I visited St. Peter's Church, Auburn, on Sunday the 4th of April, in which I preached in the morning and evening. In the evening I confirmed seventeen persons.

I preached on Good Friday, the 9th of April, in Trinity Church Geneva.

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On Sunday, the 11th, Easter Day, I officiated in St. John's Church, Canandaigua, by preaching and administering the Holy Communion in the morning, and by preaching and Confirming eighteen persons in the asternoon, and subsequently I confirmed one in private.

I officiated in Trinity Church, Geneva, on the 18th and 25th of April, and May 2d, once each day.

On the 30th April, I received into this Diocese the Rev. Erastus B. Foote, on a letter dismissory from the Provisional Bishop of the Diocese of Delaware. Mr. Foote is the Rector of Calvary Church, Homer, Cortland county.

On May 7th, I preached at Grace Church, Rochester, and on the Sunday following I preached twice in the same Church, and confirmed seventeen persons. In the afternoon of the same day, I officiated in St. Luke's Church, in the same city.

I preached on the 11th at *Brockport*, Monroe county, for the congregation of St. Luke's Church, baptizing the child of the Missionary, and confirming seven persons, (one in private.)

In St. John's Church, Medina, Orleans county, I preached twice, and confirmed seventeen persons, and likewise witnessed the public cate-chising of the children by the Missionary.

In the Academy at Royalton Centre, Niagara county, on the 14th of May, I preached, and confirmed five persons of the congregation of St. Luke's Church in that village.

On this day was used a Form of Prayer, prescribed by me under authority of the Canon, as suitable to the day set apart by recommendation of the civil authority, as a day of humiliation and prayer, in reference to the death of the late William Henry Harrison, President of the United States; the deep gloom of which event was relieved by its proving an occasion for calling forth the religious sensibility of the nation, and revealing to many despondent minds, how powerful still is the great under-current of religion throughout our land, notwithstanding the surface of society is polluted by so much that is calculated to alarm and dishearten the faith and piety of the Christian.

On the afternoon of the same day, I preached in Christ Church, Lockport, and had the pleasure of visiting the next day the very impor-

tant Female School of the Rev. Mr. Cressey, conducted on the essential principle of giving a religious, or Church education to its pupils. On Sunday, the 16th, I confirmed twenty-one persons in Christ Church, and in the afternoon eleven persons in Grace Church, and having, the day previous, confirmed two in private. Here I also baptized the infant child of the Rector of Grace Church. I preached once in each Church.

At St. Paul's Church, Lewiston, in the same county, on the 17th, I preached twice, and confirmed five persons.

At Niagara Falls, on the 18th, I baptized the infant child of the Missionary, preached, and confirmed two persons.

At Tonewanda, on the 19th, I preached, and confirmed one person.

I preached in the house occupied by the congregation of Trinity Church, Buffalo, Erie county, on the morning of May 20th, and in the evening of the same day, preached, and confirmed ten persons in St. Paul's Church, in the same city.

I preached also at Black Rock, Erie county, in the Union House, on the 21st May.

Sunday, the 23d, I preached twice in St. James' Church, Batavia, Genesee county, where I also confirmed twenty-one persons.

I preached in the Methodist House, 'Altua, Wyoming county, on the 24th May.

At Stafford, I preached in the Presbyterian House. Here measures are commenced for the erection of a Church edifice, under circumstances reflecting great credit on the liberality, zeal and energy of the Churchmen of the village, who propose to build a Church, employ a Missionary, and then to organize and come forward to seek admission into union with the Diocesan Convention.

At LeRoy, in St. Mark's Church, I preached on the evening of the 25th, and also in the morning of the 26th, when I confirmed fifteen persons, (one in private.) This parish has lost the valuable services of the Rev. Mr. Metcalf, who has removed to Elmira. He has been succeeded by the Rev. George D. Gillespie.

On Thursday, the 27th, I preached and confirmed nine persons in Zion Church, West Avon, Livingston county.

I preached on the 28th, in St. Michael's Church, Geneseo, Livingston county, and confirmed size persons.

I preached on the evening of the 29th, in St. John's Ghurch, Mount Morris, where also, on Sunday, the 30th, (Whit-Sunday,) I preached, and administered the Holy Communion in the morning, and preached, and confirmed six in the afternoon, (one in private.)

I preached and confirmed five in St. Paul's Church, Allen's Hill, on the 31st of May.

On Tuesday, June 1st, I preached in St. Luke's Church, Rochester, and confirmed fifteen persons.

On June 3d, 1841, I gave the canonical letter of dismission, transferring the Rev. Henry L. Storrs to the Diocese of New York.

On Sunday, June 6, I preached twice in St. James' Church, Skane. ateles, Onondaga county, confirming in the afternoon, eight persons.

The next day I preached in St. John's Church, Marcellus, and confirmed eight persons.

I preached in Zion Church, Onondaga Hill, and in St. Mark's Church, Jamesville, on the 8th; and in Christ Church, Pompey, on the 9th, in the afternoon of which day, I preached and confirmed six persons, in the Methodist house, Pompey Hill.

On the 10th, I preached, and confirmed four persons in Trinity Church, Fayetteville, and one in private; and the same day in the afternoon, preached in Christ Church, Manlius, and confirmed nine-teen persons.

On the 11th, I preached in the Methodist house at Cazenovia; and in the afternoon of the same day, I preached and confirmed four persons in St. Stephen's Church, Perryville.

On the 12th, I admitted as candidates for orders, on the canonical certificate of the Standing Committee, Mr. Edward Cooper, and Daniel Pease, Jr.

On Sunday, the 13th, I admitted in St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, Oneida county, Mr. Major A. Nickerson, to the holy order of Deucons, and preached, and administered the Holy Communion on the occasion.

On the 20th, I preached twice in Trinity Church, New Rochelle, Westchester county.

I attended the meetings of the Board of Missions in Philadelphia, and of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, in New York,; and delivered the customary commencement address to the pupils of the latter institution.

On the 20th of June I gave a letter of dismission to the Rev. Marshall Whiting, transferring him to the Diocese of New York.

On the 24th, I received into this Diocese from New York, the Rev. Andrew Hull, and the Rev. Asa Griswold, Deacon. The former has become Rector of St. Andrew's Church, New Berlin, and the latter the Missionary at Guilford and Mount Upton, Chenango county.

On the 25th, I received into this Diocese from New York, the Rev. James Sunderland, who has been appointed Missionary at Bridgewater, Oneida county, and parts adjacent.

On the 27th, I preached in St. John's Church, Newburgh, in the morning, and in St. Thomas' Church, New Windsor, Orange county, in the afternoon.

On the 29th, I received into this Diocese, the Rev. Levi H. Corson, from the Diocese of Connecticut. Mr. Corson is the Missionary at Clyde, Wayne county.

On Sunday, the 4th of July, I preached in Trinity Church, Geneva.

It is proper to report that A. B. Johnson, Esq., having declined, in consequence of interfering duties, acting as Trustee of the permanent Missionary Fund of the Diocese, the securities of the said fund, which had been transferred to him by C. N. S. Rowland, Esq., the Treasurer of the Education and Missionary Society, have by Mr. Johnson, under the direction of the sub-committee of the Standing Committee, been transferred to Nathan B. Kidder, Esq., of Geneva, as Trustee for the same, who has kindly consented to discharge the distinct of the office.

On Tuesday, July 13th, I preached twice at St. Clement's Church, Weathersfield, Wyoming county, confirming five persons in the afternoon.

On the 14th I preached in the Presbyterian house at Portageville, Alleghany county; and the next day the 15th I preached and confirmed twelve persons in St. Mark's Church, Hunt's Hollow, where for the preceding nine months the services of the Church had been kept up by lay-reading, and in the afternoon of the same day I preached in the Presbyterian house in Nunda Valley.

Sunday, the 18th, I spent at Angelica, Alleghany county, where in St. Paul's Church I preached and confirmed fourteen in the morning,

and in the afternoon preached and baptized the infant child of the Rector of the Parish.

I preached in the Presbyterian house at Cuba, in the same county, on Monday, the 19th.

On Tuesday I preached and confirmed six persons in St. Stephen's Church, Olean, Cattaraugus county; and on Wednesday I preached and confirmed six in St. John's Church, Ellicottville, in the same county.

On Friday, I preached in the Congregational house in *Jamestown*, Chautauque county; and at a second service in the same place, I read prayers, and the Rev. Mr. Morris preached.

On Saturday, the 24th, I preached confirmed one person, and administered the holy communion in St. Paul's Church, Mayville.

Sunday, the 25th, I spent at Westfield, where in St. Peter's Church' I baptized one child, preached twice, confirmed six persons, and administered the holy communion.

On the 26th, I preached and confirmed fifteen persons in Trinity Church, Fredonia; and on the 27th I preached and confirmed four persons in the Methodist house, Jonesville.

On the 29th, I preached, baptized one adult, confirmed three persons, and administered the holy communion in the Methodist house in Aurora, Erie county. I preached in the school house in Wales, in the same county, in the afternoon of the same day; and on the 30th I preached in St. John's Church, Sheldon, Wyoming county.

On Sunday, August 1st, I preached in St. Paul's Church, Buffalo, where also I confirmed fourteen persons, and administered the holy communion. In the afternoon of the same day I preached and confirmed fifteen persons in the house occupied by the congregation of Trinity Church in that city.

On Monday, the 2d, I preached in Christ Church, Lockport, where I baptized the infant child of the Rector, and confirmed seven persons, one of whom belonged to the Parish of Grace Church, Lockport.

On Wednesday, the 4th, I attended the annual commencement of Geneva College. While the character of the exercises gave evidence of the value of the Institution to the cause of sound learning, the very large concourse who witnessed them, equally evinced the rapidly increasing interest which the public takes in the Institution. The

<sup>\*</sup> Edward Hudson Worrall, the infant son of James and Anna Maria Worrall, of St-Peter's Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

medical department of the College being now fully organized under skilful and experienced Professors, the Institution is enabled to present both medical and literary students the high advantages of an effective and thorough course of instruction. It was peculiarly gratifying to have on this occasion, as on the preceding commencement, the presence and counsels of the Bishop of New York, and evidencing his continued interest in the institutions and growth of a Diocese within which he had so long, so acceptably, and so successfully labored.

On the 12th of August, I gave a letter of dismission to Rev. Gordon Winslow, to the Diocese of Maryland, (who felt constrained to seek a more southern climate.)

Also on the 13th of August, I received into this Diocese the Rev. Alfred Louderback, on a letter of dismission from the Diocese of Pennsylvania. Mr. Louderback has been appointed Missionary at Owego, Tioga county.

On Sunday, I preached in the Baptist house at Montezuma, Cayuga county; and in the afternoon of the same day in the Presbyterian house at Jordan, Onondaga county.

And on Tuesday, August 17, in Trinity Church, Utica, held an ordination. I admitted the Rev. Stephen Douglass, of Medina, the Rev. Hobart Williams, of New Hartford, and the Rev. Benjamin W. Stone, of Penn Yan, Deacons, to the Holy Order of Priests.

I have also this morning, (August 18,) admitted Mr. Henry Stanley as a candidate for orders, on the certificate from the Standing Committee.

The following is a summary of my labors since the last Convention; covering a space of ten months and a half. I have officiated in 55 organized Parishes, and in 16 places where the Church is not organized, (in 10 Parishes I have officiated at two different times, and in a few oftener,) in all in 71 places. Baptized 11 infants and 5 adults, in all 16; Ordained 3 Deacons and 3 Priests; Consecrated 1 Church; Admitted 4 new Candidates for Orders; Received 10 Clergymen into the Diocese; Transferred 5 Clergymen to other Dioceses; Administered the Holy Communion 15 times; Preached 129 times, (119 times in the Diocese and 10 elsewhere;) Confirmed 509 persons in 50 congregations; travelled in performing my various duties 4000 miles.

Beside the changes enumerated in the preceding record, the following are to be noticed.

The Rev N. Watkins has resigned the station at Pierrepont Manor, and been appointed Missionary at Cape Vincent, which is now disconnected from Sackett's Harbor, from which it is 25 miles distant.

The Rev. John Noble has been appointed Missionary at Sackett's Harbor, Jefferson county.

The Rev. Henry S. Attwater has resigned the station at Mount Morris, Livingston county, and been succeeded by the Rev. Charles D. Cooper, Deacon. Mr. Attwater has been appointed to the Missionary station at Hunt's Hollow, Alleghany county.

The Rev. Isaac Garvin has been compelled by infirmities to relinquish the Missionary station at Aurora, Erie county.

The Rev. Henry D. Gregory has been elected Rector of St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, and is succeeded at Homer by the Rev. Erastus B. Foote.

The Rev. Seth Davis has relinquished the Missionary station at Bridgewater, Oneida county, and been elected to the Rectorship of Christ Church, Manlius, Onondaga county. He is succeeded at Bridgewater by the Rev. James Sunderland.

The Rev. Hobart Williams has resigned the station at Jefferson and Havanna, Chemung county, and accepted the Rectorship of St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, Oneida county; vacant by the removal of the Rev. H. L. Storrs to the Diocese of New York.

The Rev. Major A. Nickerson has been appointed Missionary at Catharine and Millport, Chemung county.

The Rev. Russel Wheeler has resigned the Rectorship of St. Andraw's Church, New Berlin, Chenango county, and been succeeded by the Rev. Andrew Hull.

The Rev. John P. Fenner has been compelled by ill health to relinquish the Missionary station at Fayetteville, Onondaga county. He is succeeded by the Rev. Josiah M. Bartlett.

The Rev. E. Embury has resigned the Missionary station at Penn Yan, Yates county. He is succeeded there by the Rev. B. W. Stone.

The Rev. L. H. Corson has become the Missionary at Clyde, Wayne county, in the place of the Rev. B. W. Stone, removed to Penn Yan.

The Rev. Thomas S. Brittain has become Rector of Zion Church, Palmyra, Wayne county.

The Rev. David Huntington having resigned the Missionary station of Guilford and Mount Upton, Chenango county, has been succeeded by the Rev. Asa Griswold.

The Rev. Henry Lockwood has become the Missionary at Rome, Oneida county.

The Rev. Samuel G. Appleton has been appointed to the Missionary station at Avon, Livingston county, which had been temporarily supplied by the Rev. J. R. Bailey, who has returned to New York.

The Rev. J. Keeler has ceased to be Missionary at Harpersville, Broome county, and has been succeeded by the Rev. J. O. Stokes.

The Rev. George Ogle has resigned the Rectorship of Grace Church, Black Rock.

The Rev. Richard Smith has become the Missionary at Corning, Steuben county, and Big Flats, Chemung county.

The Rev. Isaac Swart has become the Missionary at Montezuma, Cayuga county, and Jordan, Onondaga county.

The Rev. M. Whiting has relinquished the Missionary station at Geddes and Onondaga Hill, and removed to the Diocese of New York.

The Rev. Gordon Winslow has resigned the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Elmira, Chemung county, and been transferred to the Diocese of Maryland.

It is proper also to record that the Rev. John Fish, from the Diocese of Mississippi, continues to officiate as Minister of St. Paul's Church, Watertown, though not canonically transferred to this Diocese, there being no Bishop of that Diocese, the Standing Committee not having convened to act on his application for a letter.

The Rev. C. B. St rut has been elected to the Rectorship of St. Peter's Church, Westfield, Chautauque county.

The Rev. Mr. Goodele, Deacon, has succeeded the Rev. Mr. Gillespie at Liverpool and Geddes.

My reception in the several Parishes has been marked by the same cordiality which has hitherto rendered my ministrations in the Diocese so grateful to my feelings. These ministrations continue to be welcomed by attentive and devout, and often by very large congregations.

I report to the Convention as confirmed during the ten and a half months which have transpired since the last Convention, a larger number than reported at any former Convention. As far as the fallible judgment of man can decide, I regard the Church in this Diocese as advancing in devotedness to the service of Christ, by increased cultivation of the holy graces of his blessed gospel and by firmer devotion to the conservative principles of His holy Church.

The harmony and unity of feeling and action have not been disturbed. United and peaceful, the clergy are laboring in their respective parishes with more or less acceptableness and efficiency, and in proportion to their several ability to advance the great work of building up the spiritual kingdom of our Lord.

The whole number of Clergy in the Diocese canonically connected with it is 97, consisting of 1 Bishop, 88 Presbyters, and 8 Deacons; besides these, 3 are laboring within its limits, awaiting the arrival of the canonical letter of dismission. Of the whole number, 7 are engaged in the instruction of youth; 1 is in the service of the Domestic Committee of the General Missionary Society; 5 are on the list of disabled clergy, receiving aid from the Christmas fund; 3 are prevented by age or sickness from officiating, but are providentially able to maintain themselves; and the rest, 84 in number, are either in actual service, or are seeking to be employed in missionary or parochial duty. In the good providence of God the hand of death has been withheld from the band of laborers in this Diocese.

The number of candidates for Orders in the Diocese is eight.—
Their names are as follows:

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Edward D. Kennecott, admitted.....Oct., 1839.
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Mason Gallagher,
                            .....June, 1840.
Benjamin W. Whicher,
                            .....June, 1840.
Charles E. Van Anden.
                            .........Nov., 1840.
Edward De Zeng,
                           .....June, 1841.
Edward Cooper,
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                           .....June, 1841.
Daniel Pease, jr.,
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                           .....Aug., 1841.
Henry Stanley,
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The number of beneficiaries belonging to the Diocese, pursuing a preparatory or a Theological course, is 8.

Several new Church edifices are in progress of erection in the Diocese, some of which will probably be ready for consecration in the course of the fall or winter of this year, viz: at Cape Vincent, Jefferson County; Stafford, Genesee County; Granby, Oswego County; Liverpeol, Onondaga County; Buffalo, Erie County; Mentville, Cayuga County; at Honeoye Falls, Monroe County.

The church at Syracuse is being replaced by a new stone edifice.

The congregation at East Bloomfield contemplate purchasing the building they now use, from its former occupants.

Grace Church, Utica, is being enlarged.

Trinity Church, Geneva, is to be replaced by a handsome gothic edifice.

Christ Church, Oswego, is undergoing extensive repairs.

I have given my consent to the organization of new congregations at Corning, Steuben County; at Cape Vincent, Jefferson County; at Jordan, Onondaga County; at Martville, Oswego County; and at Waterville, Oneida County.

The number of the missionaries that have been employed since the last Convention, for longer or shorter periods of time, is 52.

The number now actually engaged in the service of the Diocese is 43; and the number of stations is 50.

These stations comprehend 61 organized Churches, and 23 places where the Church is not yet organized and united with the Convention. The report of the Education and Missionary Board will present the further details on this subject. It is needful only for me to remark that the Missionaries in general are faithfully laboring to advance the interests of religion and the Church in their respective fields, and are fully entitled to the regard and confidence of the Church.

According to the annunciation made in my last address, it will be the duty of the Missionary and Education Board in view of the diminution of the funds from the Diocese of New York, to curtail the stipend to one half in about twenty of the Missionary Parishes, preparatory to its cessation altogether. Some of the stations to be reduced, have enjoyed the stipend for six, ten, fifteen, or even twenty years. With some, the growth of the Church has been so rapid as to enable them the more readily to relinquish it. In all, I feel persuaded, a desire will be felt that the new and feebler Missionary stations should be nurtured by the assistance which has so long been vouchsafed to themselves. The notice given at the last Convention will have doubtless prepared the parishes for this reduction. renewed energies will meet the emergency. It is matter of sincere gratitude, that the liberality of the Church in New York has been so long and so effectually extended to this section of the State.

As the Missionary year does not end until the 1st of October the first payments to the Missionaries under the reduced stipend, will not accrue until January, 1842.

The collections for the Christmas Fund for disabled clergymen resulted in furnishing an amount of funds beyond the most sanguine expectations, supplying additional evidence that where the Laity of the Diocese are appealed to for objects of substantial good, fully explained to them, they will not be found wanting in liberality and zeal. The sum collected was \$1007. The hearts of four of our suffering brethren have been gladdened by this most seasonable relief; and a fifth applicant has recently presented his claim for this aid.

A similar plan has been adopted in the Diocese of Pennsylvania. To me its success in this Diocese has been matter of devout thankfulness to God, as it is of sincere congratulation to the Diocese at large. May we never grow weary in well doing, in this important and touching department of Christian duty!

Under the authority assigned to me by the Canons, I have made arrangements during the year for the supply of several vacant parishes with occasional services by the neighboring clergy. The wisdom of this provision of our Canons has been fully vindicated in the results; and so long as the Churches, when vacant, supply to the visiting clergy the means of defraying their expenses, the arrangement will be continued. The refusal or neglect by any parish to do this, will be regarded as proof of a lamentable indifference to the interests of the Church, and to their own spiritual good, painful to contemplate, and justifying the withdrawal of this aid.

I named to the Convention last year, the fact of a bequest of a farm or lot of land in Saratoga County, by the late Gerrit H. Van Wagenen, for the purpose of supporting a Missionary in Chenango County, and that I had written to the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of St. George's Church in the city of New York, the Trustees under the will, for information respecting the same. By a letter from the Rector, the Rev. Dr. Milnor, I am informed that the Vestry know nothing upon the subject, and also that by a formal vote of that body, the Vestry have declined acting as Trustees in the case, the object being foreign to the purpose of their incorporation. I have

requested a friend to make inquiries as to the location, quantity and value of the land, with a view of recommending to a future Convention such steps as the results of the enquiry may show to be necessary.\*

Since the last Convention, through the liberality of the Bible and Prayer Book, and Tract Societies of New York, a further supply of nearly five hundred Prayer Books, and sundry valuable Tracts have been placed for distribution at Utica, Rochester, Buffalo and Geneva.

\*Note. The following is a copy of a certified extract from the will:-

AND WHEREAS the experience of a long life has proved that the Christian religion is the greatest blessing conferred on man; that it holds forth to the human family rules for their conduct in life, which if duly observed lead to old age, abundance and peace of mind in this world, and by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, immortal happiness in the next: now therefore, I do give, devise and bequeath to the Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen of St. George's Church in the city of New York, and to their successors in office forever, all that certain tract of land situate in the County of Saratoga, in the state of New York, in Palmer's Purchase, being known as let number forty-four in the rear part of the river division of said purchase lying of Yates and Glens patent, as by reference to the patent for the said above mentioned tract of land, dated the fourteenth day of August in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty-siz: signed by George Clinton, Governor, and Robert Haspur, deputy Secretary, will more fully appear upon the several trusts and to and for the several uses, intents and purposes hereinaster mentioned, that is to say, upon trust that the said Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen, do after my decease, as soon as conveniently may be, sell and dispose of the said lot or piece of land in the whole or in such parcels, and on such terms for cash or credit, as to them or a majority of them shall seem proper, so that the same may be converted into money, and to execute all necessary deeds and conveyances for the purposes aforesaid, and the said Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen are hereby directed and empowered to receive and invest such money at interest in stock, or by way of loan upon sufficient security on real estate, and to receive and reinvest the interest thereon, that the same may accumulate so long as the same is allowed by law, or until the annual interest or income arising therefrom, shall in the judgment of the said Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen or a majority of them, be sufficient to pay such sum annually, as has been usual, or shall then be necessary for the labors of a Missionary of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the County of Chenango and State of New York. And I do further direct, and the above devise is upon this express trust, that whenever the proceeds of the said land so devised, and the interest thereon, shall have accumulated and reached an amount the interest whereof shall be adequate to the pay of a Missionary as aforesaid; that then it is my will, and I do desire and empower the said Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen, or a majority of them, from the interest or proceeds of such accumulated fund, yearly and every year forever thereafter, to employ and pay a Missionary or Minister of the Episcopal Church, whose residence and labors shall be within the County of Chenango and State of New York, and who shall be subject to the Bishop of the Diocese, or in case of a division, to the Bishop of Southern Diecese of this State.

STATE OF NEW YORK, }

I, SAMUEL McKoon, Surrogate of said County of Chenango, hereby certify that the within and above is a true extract from the last will and testament of Gerrit H. Van Wagenen, deceased, which said will is recorded in Record of Wills D. page 1 to 19, inclusive, in the office of the Surrogate of said county, the same having been duly proved, and is the whole of that part of said will relating to the trust within mentioned.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Surrogate's Court of the said County of Chenango, July 18, 1840.

SAMUEL McKOON, Surrogate.

I need not urge upon my brethren of the Clergy, what doubtless their own experience and judgments so clearly dictate, a liberal use of these invaluable vehicles of Gospel truth, order and holiness, in parochial and general intercourse.

To those of my brethren who reside in county towns, or in the neighborhood of poor houses, I would earnestly recommend the stated visitation of these scenes of woe, not only with a view to distributing Bibles, Tracts and Prayer Books, but for the purpose of Christian consolation, instruction and devotion. As far as the regulations of such institutions will allow, I could wish the clergy to regard the prison and alms house as part of their cure, and to report their visitations to them in their annual reports to the Convention.—

It is a field of labor in which they will not probably be interfered with, and to which they are called as well by the wants and woes of the inmates, as by the voice of him who intimates so clearly, both the duty and its reward, in His affecting description of the final day. Blessed indeed will they be to whom He shall then say, "I was sick and ye visited me, I was in prison and ye came unto me."

I have received from the venerable editor of the Gospel Messenger, a complete set of that publication from its commencement, to be preserved among the archives of the Diocese.

Whilst I cannot but deeply deplore the angry and violent tone assumed by many of the religious papers of the day in the discussion of religious topics, and frankly express the belief that as they have been in general hitherto conducted in our country, they are a part and portion of the great system of morbid excitements under which the interests of pure religion have suffered so much within the last fifteen years, yet I feel bound to say that I know of no periodical in the Church, which has been conducted with such a general moderation of temper and freedom from asperity of language, combined with consistency of piety and principle, and such honest maintenance of the sound principles of the Church of Christ, as the publication which I have named; and so long as it shall continue to maintain its established character in these respects, I shall countenance and promote its circulation, and employ it as the organ of communication with the Diocese.

In connection with the subject of new Church edifices, I cannot refrain from expressing the opinion that the practice which prevails both in this Diocese and elsewhere, of sending the clergyman of the parish to the city of New York, and to other places, to make application for funds to aid such objects, highly important as they are, is fraught with no little injury to the character and efficiency of the min-The clergyman is taken away from his parish which suffers He is subjected, in his promiscuous applications, during his absence. to coldness and rebuffs, if not to contumely and insult. Unskilled in worldly matters, he trespasses on hours of business, to the irritation of those otherwise friendly to his appeals. If he succeed it is by a pertinacity and tact which after all reflect no great credit on the simplicity, fidelity, or dignity of the ministerial character. pelled in his suit, he is tempted to forget in the disappointed and mortified feelings of the moment the duty of Christian meekness, and to weaken the influence of the ministry by the betrayal of vexation and disappointment, inconsistent with his character.

For these and other reasons, it seems to me that such applications should rather be made by the Laity than by the Clergy. If the case be such as imperatively to require it, a judicious Layman would be likely to urge its claim upon his brother Laymen with, to say the least, equal success: thus saving the absence of the Clergyman from his parochial duties at home, and shielding the ministerial character from the aspersion and obloquy cast upon it in consequence of such agencies. The proper sphere for the Clergyman, in appeals to the benevolent, is the pulpit. His appeals from that sacred place always come upon the hearers with the conviction that there he is in the line of unquestionable duty. It is not often that he can descend from it to the business of a personal solicitation, especially among strangers, without a loss of influence, if not of respect.

The plan of contributions adopted by the Diocese has been persevered in with success equal to the last year, during a period of even greater scarcity of the circulating medium. The report of the Treasurer will present the details on the subject. The whole sum contributed for the ten months since the 1st of October, 1840, (including what has been paid in at this Convention,) is \$3,408. Last year in the nine months of its operation, \$2,554 were contributed. The whole number of Churches that have made collections is 78,

and of congregations 3; while 27 have failed to make or forward any contributions.

There is one part of the plan, however, which does not receive due attention. I mean that which recommends to the clergy the explanation and enforcement from the pulpit of the objects and enterprises which so loudly call for the liberality of the Laity. It is a deliberate opinion founded on long observation, that the Laity of the Church will not suffer solid and useful objects of the Church to be unsustained; and it is an equally decided opinion, that their liberality and zeel will lie dormant unless the clergy take the trouble to explain the enterprises to them, urge their claims and solicit from the pulpit their contributions. Where the Clergy appear to care so little, it is not unlikely the Laity will care less. On these matters as on others, there must be line upon line and precept upon precept. Three or four sermons each year from every Clergyman, on some of the broad principles of Christian duty in this matter, accompanied by such details as lie within the reach of all, would, I have no doubt. double the contributions of the Diocese.

Some of the Churches, where it was least expected, have failed to make or forward the collections.\* I cannot too earnestly press upon my brethren of the Clergy to be attentive and punctual in this matter.

There is one argument which addresses itself most strikingly to the sense of gratitude, which may be pressed upon almost every congregation in the Diocese. It is this: that almost every Church in the Diocese has been in times past, or is at present aided in the support of its Clergyman by the Missionary stipend. I know of but four exceptions to this statement. Here is an argument which the Clergy may wield, and are bound to wield in their appeals to their several flocks for stated and liberal contributions to the important objects of Church enterprise, especially in the Missionary branch of its exertions.

Let each Clergyman do his duty in presenting the subject to his people, and in having the monthly collections regularly made, leaving the results to the liberality of the people, and the blessing of Him

<sup>\*</sup> Note.—In some cases the amount collected was brought to the Convention, to be handed to the Treasurer.

who puts into the mind good desires and enables men to bring the same to good effect.

The controversy respecting the Oxford Tracts has penetrated this Diocese to but a very limited extent. I entertain no fears of any injurious effects to the Church amougst us from these writings. They are no where regarded as standard works, or tests of Churchmanship. The intelligence of the Clergy and Laity who read them, will sift the wheat from the chaff, and while they take advantage of whatever in them tends to strengthen the walls of our Zion, will repudiate whatever shall be found inconsistent with the Bible and the Prayer Book.

The idea of dividing the Church by the controversy respecting these productions, thrown out by some persons of more excitability than wisdom, and so readily seized upon by "them who are without" as ominous of dissolution, I hold to be preposterous in the extreme. Aside from imported excitements from abroad, and the precipitate and intemperate discussions of religious newspapers at home, the unity of the Church has hardly been ruffled. It is of too compact and firm a character to be so easily broken. In my own judgment the Church in this country never presented a firmer front of opposition to the errors of the Roman Catholic Faith than at the present time: an opposition not the less decided because divested of the animosity and rancor of controversy, and founded on more accurate knowledge of the points at issue.

The most vociferous opponents are generally the most flexible. To represent the Church as verging to Romanism, from her calm and discriminating appeals to antiquity is not less absurd than to argue that the shout of applause with which the exertions of Father Mathew in the cause of Temperance in Ireland, have been hailed by the advocates of temperance on this side of the Atlantic, is evidence of a general rush of our Temperance Societies into the embraces of the papacy. It may be well also in this connection, to remark, that the device of a Romanist Bishop in Philadelphia, in addressing a letter to the prelates of our Church on the subject of entering the Roman Catholic Fold, is to be regarded as evidence of a folly, if he be sincere, or of a guile, if he be not sincere, alike impotent in the result, and unworthy of his own character.

Among events exterior to the Diocese, but important to record, is the consecration of the Rev. Stephen Elliott, as Bishop of Georgia, which act was consummated on the 20th Feb. 1841, in Christ Church, Savannah, by the Right Rev. William C. Meade, of Virginia, (acting by commission from the Senior Bishop,) assisted by the Right Rev. Levi S. Ives, of North Carolina, and the Right Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, of South Carolina.

The application to the Legislature for an act of incorporation for the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, directed by the last Convention to be made, has resulted in the accomplishment of the wishes of the Convention in that respect. It may be necessary for the Convention to direct by resolution that the said funds be transferred to the incorporated Trustees.

I have thus laid before you, my brethren of the Clergy and Laity, a full account of my proceedings, with a general view of the state and condition of our Diocesan concerns.

In the deliberations and actions of the body now assembled in the fear and presence of God, let us all seek to be actuated by the high and holy principles of the gospel of Christ our Master, as his servants, engaged in his work, and bound to be both now and ever, not only looking to his glory and the good of his Church and people, but swayed by his example and led by his Spirit in all things. To his blessing and guidance I commend you all.

WILLIAM H. DE LANCEY.

The Convention then adjourned to nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 19th, 9 o'clock.

The Convention met. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. William E. Eigenbrodt, assisted by the Rev. Stephen Douglass, who read the lessons; after which the Bishop took the Chair.

The minutes of yesterday's meeting were read and approved.

At the calling of the roll the following clergymen, not present yes-

terday, answered to their names, viz: Rev. Thomas J. Ruger, and the Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D.

Also, the following lay-deputies appeared and took their seats:

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DEPUTIES.
CayugaSt.	Peter's, Auburn	.Geo. H. Wood.
	James', Batavia	
	Stephen's, New Hartford.	
OnondagaSt.	John's, Marcellus	.Hiram Wood.

The following gentleman then presented his certificate, answered to his name, and took his seat:

COUNTY.	CHURCH.	DE	PUTY.
Onondaga	Christ, ManliusElija	hЕ	. May.

The House then, under the 20th rule of Order, proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and Deputies to the General Convention, by one ballot as directed by section 2, of Canon XII; the Rev. E. H. Cressey, being named by the President of the Convention, as Teller to receive the votes of the Clergy, and Mr. Chester Griswold to receive the votes of the Laity.

On counting the votes it appeared that the following named persons had received a majority of all the votes given, and were therefore declared to be duly elected.

#### STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Rev. Drs. Shelton, Hale, and Rudd, and the Rev. Mr. Metcalf; and Wm. C. Pierrepont, Thomas H. Hubbard, R. C. Nicholas and Vincent Matthews, Esqrs.

#### DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

The Rev. Drs. Whitehouse, Proal, and Shelton, and Rev. Mr. Lucius Smith; and C. H. Carrol, Jonas Earll, jr., Chester Griswold, and S. B. Webster, Esqrs.

The Committee on "The admission into Union with this Convention of Churches, applying for the same," made a report, which on motion was re-committed to the same committee, with instructions to report on the case of each of the Churches concerned separately.

The Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen presented his report, which under the 6th rule of order, was referred to the Standing Committee on the subject.

The Standing Committee on the Treasurer's accounts presented the same, audited, as follows:—

# REPORT:

The Convention of the Diocese of Western New York, in account with W. S. Philpot, Treasurer.

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June 3, "	do	A. B. Joh	mson, Pres't of Trustees, di	<b>L</b>	189	31
1840.—Oct. 19,— "	do	Remitted	to J. Swords, Treas'r, N. Y.,	131 65	)	
1841.—Jan'y 5,— "	do	do		141 36		
June 5, — "	do	do	do	<b>56 69</b>	)	
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By whole am	ount of the Education and Missionary Society Account.	,	
1840.—Oct. 2, — By	balance of Missionary branch,		
u u «	do Education branch, 118 90		
1841.—Aug. 16,— "	amount received for Education branch, 68 83		
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		4,095	11
1840.—Oct. 2, — "	balance of the General Fund,	•	
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		2,253	21
	Amount carried over	6,348	<u>32</u>

Amount brought forward,	
1840.—Oct. 2, — "balance of the Episcopal Fund,	150 31 66 49 216 80
1840.—Oct. 2, — " balance for Domestic Missions,	122 05 273 40
1840.—Oct. 2, — " balance for foreign Missions,	16 50 120 23
1840.—Oct. 2, — " by balance for the Tract Society,	32 42 100 00 80 19
1840.—Oct. 2, — " balance for Bible and Prayer Book Society, appropriation from General Fund, amount received for the Bible and Prayer Book Society,	20 00 100 00 80 97
1840.—Oct. 2, — " balance for the Sunday School Union, 1841.—Aug. 16, — " amount received do	6 00 11 80
1840.—Oct. 2, — " balance for General Theological Seminary, 1841.—Aug. 16, — " amount received, do	49 06 58 50
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The Standing Committee appointed to examine the accounts of the late Treasurer, Report that they have performed the duty assigned to them, and find said accounts correct, and agreeing with the vouchers, except in two items of \$100 each, paid the Bible and Prayer Book, and Tract Societies, which require some explanation, and which they have pointed out to the Treasurer elect, to adjust with his predecessor.

The Committee therefore recommend that the account be referred to the Treasurer elect to adjust with his predecessor.

Utics, August 19th, 1841.

WILLIAM C. PIERREPONT, JOHN E. HINMAN. DAVID HUDSON.

On motion, Resolved, That the recommendation contained in this Report of the Committee be adopted.

The following Reports from the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate were then presented, and read as follows:

#### REPORTS.

The Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Western New York, Report that by an instrument dated the 20th October, 1840, John C. Spencer, A. B. Johnson, G. V. Sacket, W. W. Mumford, and Heman J. Redfield, (who constituted the former Trustees of the Episcopal Fund,) assigned to Alexander B. Johnson, Gary V. Sacket, Thomas H. Rochester, Hiram Denio, and John E. Hinman, as Trustees of the said

The said assignors assigned also to the said assignees, a policy of insurance of the Eagle Fire Company of New York to the extent of \$10,000, against loss or damage by fire to the building mortgaged by Townsend & Brothers; and two like policies of Albany Insurance Companies, to the extent, together of \$7,500 on the building mortgaged by the said Academy. The interest which became payable on the said two bonds and mortgages since the said assignment, (being two half yearly payments, up to the first day of May last, and amounting to \$2,485,) has been duly received and paid to Bishop De Lancey.

The Trustees, in obedience to a resolution of the last annual Convention, have exemined the securities assigned to them, as above, by their predecessors, with reference to the sufficiency of the said securities. The Trustees believe that the \$6000
debt of the Albany Female Academy is as amply secured as can be desired. In reference to the other debt, the Trustees believed that whatever may be its actual sufficiency, the magnitude of the sum, and the prevalent feeling of the Diocese, dictated
a diminution of the debt, or an increase of the security. The Trustees, accordingly,
soon after the assignment to them of the said bonds and mortgages, notified Messrs.

Townsend & Brothers that \$9,500 must be paid on the said debt by the 2d of July;
which was about as early as payment could be demanded according to the stipulations on which the said debt had been originally obtained by the first Trustees of the
Episcopal Fund, and which stipulations provided for a notice of six months on any
call for payment.

As the object of the said demand could be as well effected by an increased security, to the extent of \$9,500, and as that measure was proposed by Messrs. Townsend & Brothers, the proposition was acceded to by the Trustees. It was to consist of a mortgage to the extent of \$2,500 upon a building lot on 9th street, near the 5th Avenue, in the city of New York, and on a mortgage for \$7,000, on 700 acres of land in Bristel, Ontario county, accompanied by a \$7,000 bond of Peter Townsend, jr. On a proper investigation of the value of the additional securities thus offered, the Trustees concluded to accept them. The said new securities are to be received as merely collateral of the existing securities, and taking into consideration the high standing of the debtors personally, and that further payment can be required, should any contingency render such a measure proper; the Trustees believe that the said debt is now so well secured as to dissipate all anxiety in relation thereto.

Of the securities thus to be given, the mortgage of the house lot in New York city, is on record in favor of the Trustees, but the title thus conveyed, has not yet been satisfactorily ascertained: the proper proof is in progress.\* The mortgage on the land in Ontario county, is also uncompleted, but its completion is expected shortly, and, in the mean time, the Trustees have received a satisfactorily endorsed note for seven thousand, by which, if the said collateral bond and mortgage should not be received by the fourth of September next, the amount thereof is to be paid in money, by means of the said note.

<sup>\*</sup> The proof has since been completed and accepted.

In addition to the securities received, as aforesaid, from their predecessors, the Trustees received on the 7th of June, of W. S. Philpot, Esq., Treasurer of the Convention, \$189-31, being an amount of monthly contributions within the Diocese, for the increase of the Episcopal Fund. This sum being too small to invest permanently, was on the 11th of June, deposited in the Utica Savings Bank, where it will draw an interest of 5 per cent. The Sum Deposited was \$191-32, being \$2 more than the amount received from Treasurer Philpot, and which \$2 was a balance lying with the Trustees out of the \$4,01 received in money from their predecessors, as will more fully appear appended to this report, in the account of receipts and disbursements of the Trustees.

On the 27th day of April last, the Legislature created a corporation by the name of "The Trustees for the management and care of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Diocese of Western New York." The said corporation was created in fulfilment of a resolution of the last annual Convention, and as the property and concerns of the Episcopal Fund can be managed more easily, and better by a corporation, than by Trustees in their natural capacity, the Trustees, in furtherance of the laudable objects for which the said corporation was designed and will doubtless subserve, and in furtherance of the supposed intentions of the Convention, did, by an instrument of assignment, dated the 13th of July last, assign to the said corporation, all the securities, vouchers, and property of every kind and nature which they held as Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, to be held and employed by the said corporation as the said Trustees held and could employ the same.

The completion, for the said objects, of this transfer, naturally terminates the daties of the Trustees as individuals; and their future services will be only as members of the aferesaid corporation; for whose action, since the said transfer, the Trustees beg to refer the Convention to the report of the said corporation. The Trustees in closing their personal agency in their existing relation to the Convention, would remark that the fund has been managed without any charge for even necessary postage,—excepting two dollars, which were expended in the purchase of a book for recording the proceedings of the board of Trustees, and purchased agreeably to the direction of Canon No. xiii. In thus conducting the management of the fund, the Trustees but followed the example of their predecessors; and in justice to whom they would remark that the papers assigned by the the said predecessors, consisted of many documents which required legal knowledge and much care and labour, for which, as well as for the original organization of the proceedings of the Trustees, and for the good husbandry in the original investment of the fund, by which its capital was any mented \$1,004,1, the Hon. J. C. Spencer, who is known to have taken on himself most of the said labors, is entitled to much thanks. All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. B. JOHNSON,
G. V. SACKET,
H. DENIO,
THO. H. ROCHESTER,
JNO. E. HINMAN,

August 18, 1841.

The Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Western New York, in account with the Trustees thereof.

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1840.	Nov. 2.—Paid Bishop De Lancey,	1,242	50
46	" 12.—Money for the purchase of a book for the minutes	· 2	00
1841.	May 3.—Paid Bishop De Lancey	1.242	<b>50</b>
66	May 3.—Paid Bishop De Lancey	191	33

Amount carried over, \$2678 32

Amich	int brought over	•••••	\$2	,678	32
	Cr.				
1840.	Nov. 1.—Received interest to this day of Townsend &				
	Brothera	<b>3</b> 1032	<b>50</b>		
66	4 2-Received interest from Albany Female Academy.	210			
86	Dec. 8.—From J. C. Spencer, for balance in hands of late				
	Trustees	4	01		
1841.	May 1.—Interest of Townsend & Brothers to this day	1032	50		
**	" " Interest of Albany Female Academy to this day	210			
44	Jane 7. —From W. S. Philpot, Treasurer of the Convention,				
	for permanent increase of the Episcopal Fund,	189	31		
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# REPORT:

The Trustees for the management and care of the Fund for the Support of the Episcopate of the Diocese of Western New York, Report:

This corporation was created by an act of the Legislature, passed April 27, 1841, and in furtherance of the design of its creation, by the Legislature, and the last annual Convention, the corporators met on the 13th day of July, and organized their proceedings by the appointment of a President and a Secretary, according to the provisions of the said act. They also agreed to receive, and by an instrument dated the 13th day of July, 1841, did receive, an assignment executed by A. B. Johnson, G. V. Sacket, T. H. Rochester, Hiram Denie and John E. Hinman, of all the bonds, mortgages, ether securities, property, and effects of every kind, which the said persons held as Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, and received the same for the uses and purposes for which the said persons held the same: except as modified by the said act of incorporation.

The property thus assigned was duly delivered into the possession of the corporation, and consists substantially of the following items:

A bond and mortgage of Wm. H. To C. Townsend, on which is	ownsend, Isaac To due of principal,	wnsend, and Rober (with interest from	t n
May 1, 1841,) A bond and mortgage of the Albany	Female Academi	w (with interest from	<b>\$29,</b> 500 00
May 1, 1841)	Y Peniate Academy	A (wint interest itoff	6,000 00
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Total Principal, \$35,500 00 of which the interest is payable semi-annually to the Bishop.

Also a deposit in the Utica Savings Bank of \$191 32, the interest of which is to be held for accumulation, under Section 5 of Canon xisi.

In addition to the above principal items, the property assigned and delivered as a foresaid, consists of the following items; collateral of the foregoing:

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A policy of insurance by the firemen's fire insurance Company of
Albany, on the Albany Female Academy,
A policy on the same, of the Albany Insurance Company
A policy of Insurance by the Eagle Fire Company of New York, on the
building covered by the mortgage of Townsend's
building covered by the mortgage of Townsend's,
payable Sept. 4th next,
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together with various papers relating to the property assigned, as assignments, examinations of title, renewal receipts, letters, notices, stipulations, &c.: all believed to be in due form and order. All which is respectfully submitted for the Corporation.

A. B. JOHNSON, Pres't. H. Dzwio, Sec'y.

August 18, 1841.

On motion Resolved, That these papers be referred to a Committee of three, to report what action may be necessary concerning them.

The Chair named Messrs. W. S. DeZeng, H. E. Rochester, and Samuel Beardsley to constitute such committee.

The Rev. Dr. Rudd, from the Special Committee appointed by the last Convention on the subject of ascertaining the number of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, to which this Diocese is entitled, made the following

#### REPORT:

The Committee to whom the last Convention referred the subject of ascertaining the number of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary to which this Diocese is entitled, respectfully Report:

That by the third article of the Constitution of the General Theological Seminary, the Bishops of the Church are ex-officio Trustees for their Dioceses, respectively: That every Diocese is entitled to one Trustee, regardless of funds, or number of Clergy. A Diocese is also entitled to one Trustee, for every \$2,000 contributed by it to the Funds of the Seminary; and after the sum amounts to \$10,000 to one additional Trustee for every additional \$10,000 so contributed. A Diocese is entitled further, to one Trustee for every eight Clergymen belonging to it. On the division of the Diocese of New York in 1838, it was settled that the sum of \$10,000 should be assigned as the interest of the Diocese of Western New York, in the Funds of the Seminary. Though contributions have been made by the Diocese, since the separation, they do not amount to a sufficient sum to entitle the Diocese to a Trustee. The result therefore, is as follows:

The Dioce	se is	entitl	ed in it	B OWI	nan	e, to	-	•	-	•	1 Trustee,
For \$10,000 to	-	•		-	-	-	-	-	•	-	5 Trustees,
For 99 Clergyme	n bele	ongin	g to the	Dioc	ese, i	n the	ratio (	of one	Tru	stee	-
for every	eight (	Clerg	ymen, t	o -	-	-	, <b>-</b>	•	-	-	12 Trustees,
									În al	l to	18 Trustees,

exclusive of the Bishop.

The Committee recommend the adoption of the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to recommend to this Convention the names of eighteen persons, to be nominated by the Convention as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN C. RUDD, Chairman.

On motion, the Resolution recommended in this Report was adopted.

The Chair then appointed Rev. Dr. Rudd, Rev. Mr. Hawks, and Mr. J. Benedict to constitute such Committee.

Rev. C. S. Hawks, from the Committee on the foundation of new Parishes, with plans and estimates, reported that the expenses necessary to the procuring of such plans and estimates, prevent the Committee from serving the Convention in this respect. On motion of the same, Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

The Rev. Mr. Cressey, from the special Committee on the subject of providing "A Record for the official Acts of the Bishop," made the following

# REPORT:

The Special Committee, appointed at the last annual Convention, on the subject of providing "A Record for the official acts of the Bishop of the Diocese," beg to Report, That they have had the subject under consideration, but have delayed to apply for any legislative enactments, through a desire to take further counsel in regard to the expediency of making such application, or of adopting some other mode of accomplishing the same object. They therefore submit the following Resolution:

Resolved, That this Committee be continued in charge of this matter till the next annual Convention.

All which is respectfully submitted. August 19, 1841.

E. H. CRESSEY, Chairman.

The Resolution recommended in this Report was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Rudd stated that he was authorized to inform the Convention that the Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of the Central part of the State of New York, had, at their late annual meeting, adopted the following preamble and resolution; and that the President, Secretary and Treasurer of said Society were appointed a Committee to carry into effect the provisions of said resolution in case of the acceptance of the trust therein involved, on the part of this Convention.

Whereas, the Diocese of Western New York—in which are situated the large majority of the parishes deriving benefit from the society—has entrusted the distribution of Bibles and Prayer Books, the object for which this society was constituted, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, as a Board for Church Objects, thereby superseding the need of any voluntary or irresponsible association within its limits, therefore,

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to transfer the permanent fund of this society into the hands of the Board for Church Objects in the Diocese of Western New York, provided the Convention will receive the same on the following conditions, viz: As a permanent fund to be kept in trust by them forever, the annual proceeds of which alone are to be applied to the purchase and distribution of Bibles, Testaments, and Prayer Books, gratuitously, as the same is now contemplated by the Society, within the counties of Cayuga, Chenango, Cortland, Herkimer, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga, Otsego, Oswego, Tompkins, Jefferson, and Wayne, as the same are now by law established; and that the instrument of transfer require the said

Board for Church Objects to establish a depository in the city of Utica, from which books may constantly be had for distribution within the said counties on the terms now provided and appointed by the Society.

Whereupon, on motion of Rev. Dr. Rudd, the following Resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the proposed application made by the Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of the Central part of the State of New York, be referred to a Committee of three persons, with instruction to report during the present session of this Convention.

The Chair appointed Rev. Messrs. Metcalf, and McCarty, and Mr. J. E. Hinman to constitute such Committee.

The Committee on "The admission into union with this Convention of Churches applying for the same," made a further report, representing particularly the circumstances of each application referred to them.

The hour for that purpose having arrived, the House took a recess until 3 o'clock.

# THURSDAY AFTERNOON, 3 o'CLOCK.

The Convention re-assembled pursuant to Rules of Order.

The Rev. Augustine P. Prevost appeared and took his seat.

The House granted leave of absence to Mr. John King, Ley Deputy from St. John's Church, Ithaca.

The Standing Committee on the account of the Treasurer of the Christmas Fund, made the following

#### REPORT:

The Standing Committee on the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, to whom was referred the account of the Treasurer of said Fund, do certify and Report that they have carefully examined such account and compared it with the vouchers and find the same correct.

Your Committee would recommend that the statement of the amount contributed by the respective parishes, &c., and which accompanies the account, be embodied in the tabular statement of contributions, required to be appended to the Journal of this Conwention. Your Committee further recommend the publication in the Journal of the \
following abstract from the Treasurer's account:

The total amount of contributions to the Christmes Fund during the pest year, has been 1.007 79 Of this sum, there has been paid to two disabled clergymen the amount of \$200 each, **84**00 00 To two other disabled clergymen the amount of \$150 each, **300 00** 5 61 For contingent expenses, of postages and account book, 705 61 Leaving a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of **\$302** 18 H. E. ROCHESTER, J. JULIAND, WILLIAM A. SEAVER, )

On motion of Mr. Henry E. Rochester,

Resolved, That the recommendations contained in the above Report be adopted.

The Committee appointed to nominate the Trustees of the Theological Seminary from this Diocese, recommended the following persons:

Rev. P. A. Proal, D. D., Lucius Smith, D. D., H. J. Whitehouse, D. D., Wm. Shelton, D. D., F. Juliand, Esq., Hon. Gideon Lee, Hon. T. H. Hubbard, Rev. J. McCarty, G. B. Webster, Esq., Rev. B. Hale, D. D., Hon. T. H. Rochester, Hon. R. C. Nicholas, Rev. J. C. Rudd, Rev. C. S. Hawks, Hon. Jonas Earll, jr., Rev. Leverett Bush, D. D., John E. Hinman, Esq., W. C. Pierrepont, Esq.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Proal, the name of the Rev, J. V. Van Ingen, was substituted in place of his own.

On motion, Resolved, That the above named persons be recommended to the General Convention as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, on the part of this Diocese.

The Committee to whom had been referred the report of the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate, reported the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this Convention do ratify, approve and affirm the action of the late Trustees of the Episcopate Fund of this Diocese, in assigning and transferring the property and securities constituting said Fund to the present incorporated Trustees.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the Hon. John C. Spencer, for the faithful care and diligent labor with which he has discharged the important duties of the trust committed to him while one of the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate. And that a copy of this Resolution, attested by the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Convention, be transmitted to Mr. Spencer.

These Resolutions were on motion adopted.

The Committee to whom was referred the communication from the Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of the Central part of the State of New York, presented the following

#### REPORT:

The Committee to whom was referred the communication from the Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of the Central part of the State of New York, having had the subject under consideration, do recommend to this Convention, the acceptance of the proposed transfer, on the conditions stated in the said communication.

They also recommend the adoption of the following Resolution:

Resolved, That the Standing Committee of the Diocese, as the Education and Missionary Board thereof, be and is hereby authorized to accept the transfer of the permanent Fund of the Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, of the Central part of the State of New York, on the conditions stated in their communication to this Convention; and to carry into effect the provisions embraced in the said proposals.

All which is respectfully submitted.

H. METCALF, Chairman.

The resolution recommended in the above report was adopted.

Mr. R. B. Miller, from the committee of the last Convention on procuring an act of Incorporation of the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate, informed the Convention that such act of incorporation had been obtained.

On motion of the same, it was

Resolved, That a copy of said act of incorporation be inserted in the minutes.

[L.S.]

A CT to Incorporate the Trustees for the management and care of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Diocese of Western New York. [Passed April 27, 1841, by a two third vote.]

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

§1. Alexander B. Johnson, John E. Hinman, and Hiram Denio of the County of Oneida, Garry V. Sacket of the County of Seneca, and Thomas H. Rochester of the County of Monroe, and their successors duly elected and appointed in the manner hereinafter prescribed, are hereby constituted a body corporate, by the (name.) name of "The Trustees for the management and care of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Diocese of Western New York," and (duration.) by that name shall have perpetual succession and be capable of taking (powers) and holding by gift, grant or devise, and of purchasing, holding and conveying any estate real or personal, necessary for the purposes of said.

veying any estate, real or personal, necessary for the purposes of said corporation, provided the yearly value or income of the same shall not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

\$2. The object of the said corporation shall be the management and care of the Fund now provided, together with that which may hereafter be contributed or acquired and any accumulation arising upon the investment there of for the support of the office of Bishop of the Protestant Episcepal Church in the Diocese of Western New York, and the appropriation of the income of said Fund to that purpose according to the directions to be from time to time given by the Convention of said Church in said Diocese.

- (trustees and) the pleasure of the said Convention, and all vacancies occurring in said her appointed. Trustees, shall from time to time be filled by said Convention. The pres't and sec. said Trustees shall appoint a President and Secretary, and no act of said (order of Trustees shall be valid unless authorized by a resolution adopted at a business. regular meeting of said Trustees by a majority of the same, and recorded by the Secretary in a book to be kept as a record of their proceedings, which book shall be open to the inspection of the said Convention.
- §4. A statement of the proceedings of said Trustees hereby incorporated, exhibit(annual ing the condition of the Fund hereby entrusted to their charges together statements) with the items of receipts and disbursements with the vouchers therefor, shall be reported to each annual Convention, and signed by said Trustees or a majority of them.
- 55. The said Trustees hereby incorporated shall be bound to conform to any incolligations) structions to be given them by said Convention, touching the management of the said Fund, and the disposition of the income thereof: provitive's) ded that such instructions shall be in writing, and shall be entered on the Journals of the said Convention: and provided also that the income of the said Fund shall in no case be diverted to or expended for any other purpose than that of sustaining the Episcopal office in the said Diocese.
- 56. The provisions of title third of the eighteenth chapter of the first part of the Revised Statutes, shall apply to the corporation hereby created, so far as the same are not inconsistent with this Act.
  - I have compared the preceding with an original Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, and do certify that the same is a true and correct transcript thereof and of the whole of the said original. Given under my hand and seal of office, this 28th day of April, 1841.

    JOHN C. SPENCER,
    Secretary of State.

The Bishop, in behalf of the Standing Committee, as the Education and Missionary Board of the Diocese, presented the following

#### REPORT.

In presenting to the Convention their second Annual Report, the Education and Missionary Board express their humble gratitude for the continuance of the ability to keep up, without pecuniary embarrassment the very large missionary establishment of the Diocese.

The liberality of the Diocese of New York, added to the exertions of our own Diocese itself, has enabled us to do this.

It is both the duty and desire of the Board to keep their expenditures strictly within the limits of their means.

Since the last Convention several changes have been made in the missionary stations, with a view to increased efficiency and usefulness.

A complete list of the stations and missionaries for the year commencing October 1, 1841, will be appended, as usual, to the Journal of the Convention.

The whole number of missionaries at present is forty-three, and of stations fifty.

The whole number of clergymen employed for a longer or shorter period since the last Convention, is fifty-two.

The whole annual expense of our missionary establishment, when all the stations are filled, is \$6250. In consequence of several stations being vacant, partially or wholly, the actual expense for the current year will be less.

Efforts are making to introduce the services of the church under an immibilists of prospective organization, at

Cape Vincent,Jefferson c	ounty
Corning,Steuben	do.
Jordan, Onondaga	do.
Stafford,Genesee	do.
GranbyOawego	do.
Martville, do.	do.
Portageville,Alleghany	do.
Nunda Valley do.	do.
Waterville,Oneida	do.
Millport,	do.

In some of these places churches have been organized and will apply for admission: into union with this Convention.

But very few of the missionary stations are now vacant, and most of them with the prospect of being soon filled.

The collections in the churches for the support of the missions of the Diocese have been in proportion for the time since the last Convention about the same as last year.

The whole amount collected in the Diocese for all purposes, exclusive of parochial objects, and which has passed through the hands of the officers of the Convention is \$4420.70.

Of organized churches in the Diocese seventy-eight have made collections, and twenty-nine have failed to forward any contributions. Of unorganized congregations three have forwarded collections.

This sum includes the \$1007 collected for the Christmas fund for disabled clergy-

A list showing what churches have made and what have failed to make the collections, with the amounts received from each to this time accompanies this report.

The average monthly contribution of this Diocese for all purposes excepting parechial objects since the last Convention has been \$401.

The present balance in the hands of the Treasurer of the Convention is about \$2000: a large portion of which will be absorbed by the October payments to the Missionaries and Beneficiaries.

The committee make no remarks on the results of the labors of the Missionaries which are laid before the Convention by the Missionaries themselves in their annual reports to the Convention, through the Bishop.

Since the last Convention one of the Beneficiaries has received deacon's orders; only one is now on the list receiving aid directly from the committee, over and above what is given by this Diocese to the education branch of the society in New York, which it is understood has charge of the education of seven others belonging to this Diocese. Several applicants however are before the committee having charge of this subject.

The Board cannot too urgently impress upon the Convention how absolutely necessary to the efficiency of our Diocesan missions is the regular and punctual compliance with the Canon requiring the monthly collections.

In pursuance of the plan announced at the last Convention, it will become necessary that from fifteen to twenty of the Missionary stations be put upon the list of half

stipend parishes. None of these parishes have enjoyed the stipend for less than five years, some for ten, some for fifteen, and a few even longer.

As the Missionary year commences on the 1st of October, the first payments under the reduced system will not accrue until January 1st, 1842. The Board are clearly of opinion, as stated last year, that no parish should receive the aid of the stipend for more than three years in full, and two years more in part. The demand for Missionaries in new stations is such as to preclude, with the limited means of the Board, any other than a course of gradual reduction of existing stations, and a transfer of the stipend to other places, with a view to the steady increase of the Church throughout the Diocese.

In accordance with the annunciation made in the last report, the permanent Missionary Funds received from the Diocese of New York, were transferred to A. B. Johnson, Esq., of Utica, whose numerous engagements compelled him to decline executing the trust. The securities for the said fund have recently been transferred by Mr. Johnson, under the direction of the committee of this board, to Nathan B. Kidder, Esq., of Geneva, as Trustee for this fund. Mr. Kidder has accepted the trust; and will report annually the state of the fund to this board, and through them to the Convention. No change has been made in the investments, which consist of 5000 Kentucky Rail Road shares, guaranteed by the State, and of \$5,150 in Bonds and Mortgages in the city of New York.

The senction of this transfer to the new Trustee, by resolution of the Convention, is all that remains to be done to complete this matter.

In order to make a beginning with the work of a general Missionary to the scattered: Church people of the Diocese, the Education and Missionary Board have in view the appropriation of the proceeds of the permanent Missionary funds, amounting to about \$600, to the support of two such Missionaries, one in the eastern and another in the western section of the Diocese, and have requested the Bishop to endeavor to make arrangements with some well qualified Clergymen for that purpose.

With the continued and increasing liberality of the Diocese, the Board feel confident that a vigorous and effective system of Missionary operations can, with the blessing of God, be sustained. They humbly invoke the blessing from on high—and believe that the Convention may rely upon the zeal and contributions of the Church to uphold her Diocesan Missions so long as both the Clergy and the Congregations shall be faithful to their obligations and engagements.

All which is respectfully submitted, by order of the board,

W. II. DE LANCEY, Chairman:

On motion the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That this Convention do approve of the appointment of Nathan B. Kidder, Esq., of Geneva, as Trustee of the permanent Missionary Funds of the Diocese, and of the transfer of the securities of the said Fund to him as Trustee of the same.

Resolved, That the said Trustee be required to report annually the state of the Fund, and of its securities, to the Convention, through the Education and Missionary Board.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. M'Carty,

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to consider and report at the next meeting of this Convention, the circumstances under which a church admitted into union with this body shall be regarded as having lost that relation, and no longer entitled to representation; and to propose some constitutional provision adapted to the same; and further, that the same committee confer with the Bishop on the subject referred to them.

The Chair then appointed the Rev. Mr. McCarty, and Messrs. D. Hudson and J. Clapp to constitute said committee.

The committee on the subject of the Episcopal residence, reported the following resolutions: which, on motion, were adopted:

Resolved, That this Convention are sensible of the importance of providing a more convenient and permanent residence for our respected Diocesan, and of consulting in so doing his wishes in every respect as to the location and character of such residence.

Resolved, That a committee of five, consisting of two clergymen and three laymen be appointed to take into consideration the mode of securing a suitable and permanent residence for the Bishop of the Diocese; the raising of the funds necessary for the same, and all other particulars essential for the final action of this Convention on the subject, and that this committee report at the next stated meeting of the Convention.

Resolved, That the same committee be authorized to raise in such manner as they may deem best, the requisite fund to pay the rent of the Bishop's house for the current year.

The Chair appointed Rev. Dr. Shelton, Rev. Mr. Irving, Mesers. Seymour, Miller, and De Zeng, to constitute said committee.

On motion of the Rev. Lucius Smith,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to Wm. S. Philpot, esq., late 'I reasurer of this Convention, for the able and faithful discharge of his duties as Treasurer of the same.

On motion of the same,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the congregations of Trinity and Grace Churches in the city of Utica. for the hospitality so generously extended to its members during the present session; and that the Rectors of said churches be requested to give publicity to this resolution in such way as they may deem expedient.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Lockwood,

Resolved, That in compliance with the VIIIth Canon of this Dio-

cese, a committee be appointed to assist the Bishop in preparing a report of the state of the Church in this Diocese, and a list of the Clergy to be presented to the General Convention.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Whitehouse,

Resolved, That the Standing Committee of the Diocese be appointed such committee.

On motion of Mr. Beardsley,

Resolved, That in the opinion of this House, the following churches applying for admission into union with this Convention, and being the same reported by the Standing Committee on the subject, are legally incorporated, viz:

St. John's Church, Cape Vincent, Jefferson County.
Grace Church, Waterville, Oneida do.
Christ Church, Jordan, Onondaga do.
St. Luke's Church, Granby, Oswego County.
Christ Church, Corning, Steuben County.

Ordered: That the Convention do now take a recess until half past seven o'clock this evening.

The House thereupon took a recess.

Thursday Evening, half past seven o'clock.

The Convention re-assembled.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Whitehouse,

Resolved, That Christ Church, Corning, Steuben county, be received into union with this Convention.

Resolved. That Grace Church. Waterville, Oneida county, be admitted into union with this Convention.

The following gentlemen then presented their certificates and took their seats as lay deputies, viz:

Resolved, That St. Luke's Church, Granby, Oswego county, be admitted into union with this Convention.

Resolved, That Christ Church, Jordan, Onondaga county, and St. John's Church, Cape Vincent, Jefferson county, not having presented the copy of the minutes of the meeting or meetings for organization, duly certified, required by Canon IV. Sec. 2, cannot, in consequence, until this be done, be received into union with this Convention.

On motion of Mr. H. E. Rochester,

Resolved, That the reading of the parochial reports be dispensed with, and that they be appended to the Journal of the Convention.

The Rev. Mr. McCarty then introduced in writing, the following, to be added to the Constitution, as Article IX., which on motion was approved.

"No alteration in or addition to the Canons shall be made during the session of the Convention in which the same shall be proposed, unless two-thirds of both orders shall concur therein; and the said alterations or additions, if approved by a majority of the Convention, shall lay over for the consideration and the final action of the next annual Convention."

On motion of Rev. Lucius Smith,

Resolved, That fifteen hundred copies of the Journal be printed and distributed in the usual manner, under the direction of the Secretary.

The minutes of the day were read and approved; and the House on motion, resolved to adjourn after the usual religious exercises.—
Whereupon the Convention, after a short address from the Bishop, united in singing the 27th hymn, and in appropriate prayers from the Liturgy, and having received his blessing, adjourned size die.

Signed by order of the Convention,

WILLIAM HEATHCOTE DE LANCEY, D. D.,

Bishop of the Diocese of Western New York,

and President of the Convention.

"Attest."

PIERRE ALEXIS PROAL, D. D., Secretary.

# APPENDIX,

No. 1.

# PAROCHIAL AND MISSIONARY REPORTS.

St. Paul's Church, Angelica, Alleghany county; the Rev. Lewis Thibou, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 45, (adults 153, children 84,) 237; Baptisms (adults 4, infants 17,) 21; Confirmed 14; Communicants, (admitted 8,) 8; died 2; removed 4; present number 74; Marriages 2; Búrials 13; Public Services, (sa Sundays 85, on other days 41,) 126; Children catechised 10; number of times 2; Sunday Schools 1; Teachers (male 1, female 3,) 4; Pupils, (male 10, female 22,) 32.

The Monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

, For General Fund	for Chu	ch	Object	٥,	•	•	•	•	40	72	
For Parochial Obje	cts,	• '	•	-	•	•	•	•	223	00	
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Of the sum contributed for Parochial Objects, \$200 were the proceeds of a Ladies' Fair, intended for some repairs and improvements in the Church. Steps have been recently taken to insure regularity in the payment of the salary. On a few Sundays the Missionary has been able to officiate but once, in consequence of hourseness.

St. Mark's Church, Hunt's Hollow, Alleghany county; the Rev. H. S. Attwater, Missionary.

Confirmed 12; Burials 2; Public services, (on Sundays 2, on other days 1,) 3.

The Monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

To the Education and Missionary Fund, - - - \$14.20

Your Missionary commenced his labors as Minister of St. Mark's Parish last Sunday, but as no parish Register has hitherto been provided by the vestry, he is unable to report accurately the statistics of the parish, any further than he has personally efficiated. This Church has been without a minister for about ten months, but with praiseworthy zeal, the congregation have assembled almost every Sunday for Lay Reading. It is also due to my predecessor, the Rev. Lucius Carter, to state that nearly all of those confirmed were prepared for that holy ordinance last fall, before he relinquished the parish.

Christ Church, Binghamton, Broome county; the Rev. Edward Andrews, Rector.

Congregation: Families 65; Baptisms, (infants) 8; Communicants, (added 4, died 1,) present number 65; Marriages 4; Burials 2; Public Services, on Sundays, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Christmas day and evening, and on other days occasionally, Catechetical exercises, and Sunday School continued; Teachers 7; Scholars 50.

The Monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Missionary and Education Soc	iety,	•	•	•	•	6	00
For Diocesan Fund,	•		•			14	00
For Episcopal Fund,	•	•	•	-	•	3	00
For Mission to Cape Talmas (Afric	a,) -		•			11	00
For Domestic and Foreign Mission	s, (sent	to	Swords	)*	•	22	00
For African Colonization Society,	•			•		35	00
For Parochial Objects,	•	-	•	•	•	<b>3</b> 00	00
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Since my last report we have purchased two large Chandeliers for the church, and made extensive repairs.

St. Luke's Church, Harpersville, Broome county; the Rev. J. O. Stokes, Missionary.

Congregation; Families about 60; (number of individuals about 300;) Communicants, (admitted) 6; present number 40 or 50; Marriages 3; Burials 5; Public Services, (on Sundays 3, on other days 6,) total number of services during eight months, about 80.

The Rector has been engaged in different parts of the parish and out of the parish, holding divine services on Sunday evenings; the community in different places soliciting those services. This has been particularly the case at Winsor, a village about 10 miles from Harpersville, where a large and respectable assembly is regularly convened, and where people of other denominations join in the service of the Church. These services the Rector has thought important as tending to remove prejudices against the Church, and will ultimately prepare the minds of the community for other parochial duties, essential to the establishment and prosperity of the Episcopal Church. The monthly collections, owing to a variety of circumstances, have not been regular, but in future it is hoped they will be so.

St. John's Church, Ellicottville, Cattaraugus county; the Rev. Thomas Morris, Missionary.

Baptisms (infants) 4; Confirmed 6; Communicants (received) 6, present number 30; Marriages 5; Burials 3; Public Services (on Sundays 96, on other days 12,) 108; Sunday Schools 1; Teachers (male 3, female 4,) 7; Pupils (male 25, female 35,) 60.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

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The prospects of this Church are gradually improving in every respect. My time has been devoted solely to this Parish since October last, and I think the regular ser-

<sup>\*</sup> This sum was collected on the evening of Christmas day.

vices being steadily continued will, by the blessing of God, have a good effect. The collections for the last year appear small, but this has not arisen from any neglect to make them, nor an unwillingness to contribute. We have done according to our ability, considering our infant state, and the numerous local wants arising from such a condition.

# St. Stephen's Church, Olean, Cattaraugus county; the Rev. Humphrey Hollis, Missionary.

Congregation 30, (adults 90, children 40,) 130; Baptisms, (adults 1, children 4,) 5; Confirmed 6; Communicants, (admitted 3, received 3,) 6; removed 5; present number 22; Burials 5; Public Services, (on Sundays 84, on other days 13,) 97; Children catechised: number of children 10, in Sunday School; Sunday Schools: number of schools 1: Teachers (male 2, female 4,) 6; Pupils (male 15, female 20,) 35.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

General Fund for Church Objects,	-				\$13	81
Bibles, Prayer Books and Tracts,	-				•	69
From sale of Prayer Books, -	•	•				00
Christmas Fund,	-			-	_	00
For Parochial Objects there has be	een	collecte	d for	incide		
expenses,						25
By the Ladics' Sewing Society for t				bell.	100	
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I took charge of this station on the 12th of October last. The removal of my family caused the delay of a few weeks. The collections were commenced in December, and the manner in which they have been sustained is truly cemmendable. On the first Sunday of the month they are made for incidental expenses within the Parish, and on the third for Diocesan objects. The ladies of the congregation deserve, as heretofore, great commendation for their exertions to promote the interests of the Parish. We have sustained some serious losses by removals. The report of week day services embrace Christmas, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, a Wednesday evening service during Lent, and the National Fast.

# St. Peter's Church, Auburn, Cayuga county; the Rev. WILLIAM CROSWELL, Rector.

Congregation: families 88, (adults 227, children 152,) 379; Baptisms, (adults 8, infants 10,) 18; Communicants, (admitted 17, received 3,) 20; died 1; removed 10; present number 124; Confirmed 17; Marriages 4; Burials 10; Public Services: (on Sundays 121, on other days 39,) 160; Children catechised every Sunday by Rector or Superintendent; Sunday Schools 1; Teachers (male 5, female 9,) 14; Pupils (male 24, female 46,) 70.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

To the General Fund for Church Objects,	_	<b>\$</b> 41 90
For relief of Disabled Clergymen,	-	
In aid of Church erecting at West Granby, N. Y., -	•	18 19
- " " Southport, Wisconsin,	•	19 00
Parochial Objects,	•	487 00
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The public services above reported include all that have been held during the Rectorship of the present incumbent, which commenced on the first Sunday in August, 1840. Though the pecuniary ability of the Parish has been much impaired within the few last years, its prospects both in a temporal and spiritual point of view continue to be encouraging. A small debt on the personage has been considerably reduced,

and will probably soon be extinguished. Grateful mention should be made of a legacy of two hundred dollars towards this object, from the estate of the late Mr. Frederic W. Coffin, a young and valued communicant, whose less to the Church is greatly lamented.

# St. Paul's Church, Aurora, Coyuga county.

# [There is no Report from this Parish.]

# St. Matthew's Church, Moravia, Cayaga county; the Rev. Branslay Northeop, Missionary.

(Ingregation: families 37, (adults 100, children 36,) 136; Baptisms, (adults \$, infants (a); Communicants, (admitted 2, received 3,) 5; removed 1; present number \$\frac{1}{2}; Marriages 5; Burials 3; Public Services, (on Sundays 98, on other days 9,) 107; (hikken catechised: number of children 24, number of times 10; Sunday School 1, Teachers, (male 6, female 6,) 12; Pupils, (male 13, female 14,) 27.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan missions, For Bibles and Prayer I For Domestic Missions, For Foreign Missions,	Books	B, _	•	•	•	•	•	5 00 4 00
_ ,					•			965 00

Your missionary since the last Convention, has officiated two Sundays in Aurora, four in Genoa, and one in Niles, holding two services on each Sunday. The other part of his time has been devoted to the Parish of St. Matthew's Church, Moravis. This Parish continues in a gradually increasing state of prosperity; and although comparatively small, and possessing but limited means, it has thus far been enabled, through the aid of the stipend, to sustain the present Missionary. Should that be withdrawn, wholly or in part, it would be difficult for them to procure the services of a clergyman any portion of the time; there being no other convenient place to unite with this Parish in his support. It will be just to remark that the forty-three dollars noticed in this report to the Board of Foreign Missions were given by the Ladies' Benevolent Society of this place.

St. Peter's Church, Forrestville, Chautauque county; the Rev-Lucius Smith, Missionary.

Families 10; Baptisms, (adults 1, infants 2,) 3; Communicants 12; Confirmed 4.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For the General Fund for Church Objects. - - - - - - - - - 7 00

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Trinity Church, Fredonia, Chautauque county; the Rev. Lucius Smith, Rector.

Families 35; Baptisms, (adults 6, infants 3,) 9; Confirmed 15; Communicants: (added) 9; died 1; present number 40; Marriages 5; Burials 10.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Domestic Missions for this Diocese, - - \$26 64
Christmas Fund, - 7 00
Funds raised by the Ladies' Society for an ergan case, carpeting the Church, &c., - - 133 00

By reference to the amount it will be seen that this station has paid into the treasury since my last report, \$35 25, and \$14 to the Treasurer of the Christmas Fund. The required collections have been made, and another year's experience only satisfies me that the system of monthly collections steadily adhered to and uniformly complied with by all the parishes, will meet the demands of the Church. I am most happy in being able to state that the congregation of Trinity Church has never been as flour-ishing as it now is. A new and delightful spirit has been awakened. The congregation has increased, and at our last communion six were added; all of whom but one were confirmed at the last visitation. I officiated at St. Paul's Church, Westfield, on Sunday, and administered the communion, and from January to Easter, I officiated at Westfield one fourth of the time; that congregation having been destitute since the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Huse.

### St. Luke's Church, Jamestown, Chaulauque county.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

# St. Paul's Church, Mayville, Chautauque county.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. Peter's Church, Westfield, Chautauque county; Rev. CHARLES B. Stout, Rector.

Taking the report of last year as the basis for this, for reasons which will appear below, the present state of the Parish may be put down as follows:

Families about 30: (adults 65, children 35,) total 100: Communicants, (added by present Rector,) 5; died 1; whole number about 40; Baptisms, (adults 3, children 11,) total 14; Confirmed 6.

But six weeks having gone by since the Rector took charge of this Parish, he is mable to make his report as full as it ought to be. During this period he has necessarily been absent half the time. For more than a year prior to his arrival, there had been no settled minister. The Rev. Mr. Smith, of Fredonia, had occasionally officiated during the winter. As would naturally be the case, after so long an interruption of regular services, the congregation were scattered and somewhat dispirited. They have now rallied and evince a determination to use their efforts to sustain the ministrations of the sanctuary.

St. Paul's Church, Big Flatts, Chemung county; the Rev. Richard Smith, Missionary.

Baptisms, (adults 1, infants 1,) total 2; Communicants: present number 10; Marriages 2; Burials 4; Public Services, (on Sundays 88, on other days 8,) total 96; Sunday School 1.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions, - - - - 6 25
For Parochial Objects, - - - - - 12 00

I hope when we get into the new house we shall be able to make the collections

required by the Canons of the Church.

I continued the services at Hector and Johnson's settlement till the end of January, where things remained as given in the last report, with the exception of a few deaths, under rather discouraging circumstances, when I required a change. In February, 1841, I received an appointment from the Missionary Committee to enter upon the new station at Corning, and to unite with it the Big Flats. I commenced my labors, and removed my family in March. Here every thing was new, but very few members, and the Church little known; however I have great reason for gratitude to Almighty God that the prospects are cheering. In April we organized the Church, and at this Convention present it for union with the Diocese. We have made arrangements for building a chapel or place to worship in, till we can build a Church. The Vestry, with myself, deem this the most expedient way. And I am happy to say, though the Corning company have generously given us a very eligible spot of ground, and would contribute liberally towards the erection of a Church, yet prudence dictates the safer way, and instead of involving debt and difficulty, on a few willing individuals, to meet our minor views, the agent, Mr. H. W. Bostwick, has allowed us the privilege to erect a house for our present purpose on a spot of ground very convenient to occupy, till we can build on the spot designed for us. A liberal subscription is entered into for the object, and I think before the winter sets in we shall have a decent and commodious house to worship God according to the dictates of our own consciences and the word of God. With reference to the Big Flats-It was at first the day of small things, a cold house, a very few people, and every thing to discourage; but, thanks to the Great Head of the Church, by ploughing and sowing in hope, trusting in his never failing promise, we already see a beam of light; our congregation is now very encouraging, and a feeling of kind attachment is manifested towards the services. Prayer Books have been bought, and I trust from the kindness of the inhabitants in general, we may hope for better days. I have service at each place every Sunday. I have commenced a Sunday School at Corning, and a Bible Class.

St. John's Church, Catherine, Chemung county; the Rev. M. A. Nickerson, Missionary.

I entered upon the duties of this station on the 18th of July, but am not able to give a full report of it. The services thus far have been well attended. I also officiate every Sunday evening at Millport, where I trust a Church will soon be organized.

We have an interesting Sunday School in operation: Teachers, (male 5, female

5,) total 10; Scholars 49.

Trinity Church, Elmira, Chemung county; the Rev. KENDRICK METCALF, Rector.

Congregation: Families 67; (adults 185, children 130,) total 315; Baptisms, (infants) 7; Communicants, total added 15; died 1; removed or withdrawn, 12; present num.

ber 61; Marriages 2; Burials 6; Sunday School 1; Teachers (male 4, female 6,) total 10; Pupils 60.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For General Fund for Church Obje	cts,	-	•	•	•	<b>55 00</b>
For Christmas Fund for Disabled C	lerg	ymen		-	•	20 00
Parochial objects, towards the payr	nent	of an	old o	iebt,	by th	10
ladies of the congregation, -	-	-	-	• '	•	150 00
For the Sunday School Library,						
						997 00

The Rev. Gordon Winslow resigned the Rectorship of this Church on the 1st day of May last. The present incumbent entered upon his charge on the first Sunday in July. The above statistics therefore are chiefly taken from the records left by his predecessor. In the cordial manner in which he has been received, and in the general prospects of the Parish, the Rector finds much encouragement. Although yet comparatively in its infancy, and not entirely free from the embarrassments usually attendant upon young congregations, he discovers, as he believes, in the zeal, intelligence and piety of its members, an indication of its future growth and prosperity. May the Lord assist our labors with his grace and with his providence.

### St. James' Church, Jefferson, Chemung county; the Rev. Hobert Williams, late Missionary.

This Parish, together with an unorganized congregation at Havana, forms a Missionary station, of which the Missionary took the charge on the 31st day of January. I continued to officiate once on each Sunday in both places for six months. Divine service was occasionally held in the vacant Parish of St. John's Church, Johnson's Settlement, and in other neighboring villages. Owing in a measure to the difficulties of a new enterprise, but little was accomplished by your Missionary. It is however trusted that his brief labor may have served partially to exhibit to the people in that quarter their need of the calm but fervent ministrations of the Church, a need which is not the less considerable because inadequately felt.

Communicants at Jefferson, 2; at Havana, 3; Burials at Jefferson 3; at Havana, 1.

### St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge, Chenango [county; the Rev. WILLIAM E. EIGENBRODT, Rector.

Baptisms, (infants) 9; Communicants, (admitted 5, received 1,) total 6; died 2; removed 8; present number 64; Marriages 3; Burials 7; Public Services (on Sundays 85, on other days 40,) total 125; Children catechised 31 times.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

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Diocesan Missions,	•	•	-	-	•	•	-	•	5 0	10
" Education,	•	•	•	•	-	•	-	-	6 0	_
Expenses of the Conv	enti	on,	•	-	• ′	•	•	-	10	<b>O</b>
Distribution of Bibles	and	Praye	r B	ooks,	-	•	-	-	4 0	10
Distribution of Tracts.		•	-	•	-	-	•	•	4 0	Ю
Increase of the Episco	pate	Fund	L,	•	•	-	•	-	4 2	9
General Fund for Chu	rch (	Object	Ė,	-	-	•	•	-	20 0	0
General Protestant Ep	isco	pal Ti	<b>reol</b>	ogical	Sen	ninary	7	•	4 0	0
Domestic Missions,	-	•	•	•	•		<b>'</b>	•	4 0	
Foreign "	•	•	-	•	•	•	-	-	Ĩ O	0
Christmas Fund for D	icabi	ed Cl		men.	•	-	•	•	10 Ø	
Parochial Objects,	•	•	-	•	-	•	•	•	103 7	
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Besides the above named services in the Parish Church, the Rector has occasionally officiated at South Bainbridge. During the past year this congregation have procured a paten and two chalices of silver for the services of the altar. They have also been placed under obligation to the Rector, Wardens, and Vestrymen of St. Luke's Church in the city of New York, by the gift of valuable branch candle-sticks for the deak and pulpit of the Church.

#### Trinity Church, Coventry, Chenango county.

[This Parish is included in the pastoral charge of the Rev. J. V. Van Ingen, and its statistics are embraced in the report for Zion Church, Greene. The Church in this Parish, which has always been feeble, is quietly and steadily growing in piety and numbers, and it is hoped may ere long undertake the support of a Missionary for half the time in connection with some other point.]

Zion Church, Greene, Chenango county; the Rev. John V. Van Ingen, Rector.

Congregation: Families 92, (adults 204, children 203,) total 407; Baptiams, (adults 9, infants 18,) total 27; Communicants, (admitted 10, received 6,) total 16; died 2; removed 1; present number 81; Burials 8; Public Services, (on Sundays 96, on other days 86,) total 182; of course lectures in the Sunday school and exposition &c. in the Bible Class at the Rector's study are not here included. Children catechised, generally in Sunday school by the Pastor three times a week during Lent, and constantly in parochial visits. Number of Sunday Schools 4; Teachers (male 8, female 11,) total 19; Pupils (male 95, female 89,) total 184.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	•	-	-	•	-	9 98
" Education,		-	-	-	-	•	•	-	8 42
Expenses of the Cor	ventio	n,	_	-	•	-	•	-	4 70
Bibles and Prayer B	looks,	-	-	•	•	-	•	•	1 50
Tracts,	-	-	•	•	•	-	•	-	1 50
Increase of the Epis	copate	Fw	nd,	-	-	7	-	-	4 50
Theological Seminar	гу, -	•	•	-	-	•	•	-	3 00
Domestic Missions,	•	-	-	•	-	-	•	-	3 88
Foreign Missions, (T	'exas,)	-	•	-	-	-	-	•	5 00
Christmas Fund, (lo	st throu	<b>igh</b>	the m	ail,)	-	-	-	-	10 00
Relief of Parish at	Sherbu	rne	, Chei	aango	o cou	nty,	•	-	20 00
									<b>970</b> 49

The Rector has held quarterly services at two distant points in his Parish during the past year, preaching and catechising once a day in the week previous to administering the sacraments of hely baptism and the Lord's Supper on Sunday, and making collections for Diocesan Missions, with the most encouraging results. He was providentially able to have his Parish Church supplied by a brother on the Sundays thus devoted.

Christ Church, Guilford, Chenango county; the Rev. David Huntington, late Missionary.

Families 33; Communicants 42; Baptisms, (infants) 1; Burials 3; Public Services, 2 on each Sunday, except two, (when prevented by sickness;) on the evening before Christmas, on Christmas day, on Ash-Wednesday, on Good Friday, and on Easter Monday. Sunday Scholars, (including a senior class taught by myself,) 20.

The Monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

General Fund for	Chu	ırch	Objec	ts,	•	-	-	-	-	9 79
Christmas Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	-	3 00
										\$12 79

The above is chiefly the report for Christ Church, Guilford. At Grace Church, Mount Upton, there has been divine service, with sermons, one Sunday in each month, to small but attentive congregations.

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Christ Church, Guilford, Chenango county; the Rev. Asa Griswold, Missionary.\*

Families 35; Communicants 45; added 1; Marriage 1; Burial 1; Public Services (on Sundays) 29; Sunday School 1; Pupils 32; Teachers (male 4, female 4,) total 8; a small Bible Class.

Grace Church, Mount Upton, Chenango county; the Rev. Asa Griswold, Missionary.

I have held services in Grace Church four times; number of Communicants 3. The congregation is small but attentive.

St. Andrew's Church, New Berlin, Chenango county; the Rev. ANDREW HULL, Rector.

Congregation: Families 50, (adults 132, children 191,) total 233; Baptisms, (infants) 3; Communicants, (received) 2; died 2; present number 45; Marriage 1; Burials 2; Public Services, (on Sundays 41, on other days, 4,) total 45, Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 4, female 5,) total 9; Pupils, (male 21, female 29,) total 50.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,	•	•	•	•	-	•	•	•	6 00
" Education,	-	-	•	-	•	•	•	-	6 00
Expenses of the Conv			•	•	•	-	•	•	3 00
Increase of the Episco	pate	• Fun	d,	•		•	-	-	5 00
General Fund for Chui	rch	Objec	ts,	•	•	-	•	•	2 09
Foreign Missions, -	-	•	•	•	-	•	•	-	10 00
Parochial Objects,	•	•	-	-	•	•	•	•	12 00
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The above report is necessarily limited to what has been done in the Parish since the 1st of April, 1841; the former Rector having left behind him no written account of his doings. The Vestry of the Church however, were not unmindful of that portion of the 7th Canon which makes it their duty to provide a Parish register. The present condition and prospects of the Parish are encouraging.

Emanuel Church, Norwich, Chenango county; the Rev. LIBERTY A. BARROWS, Missionary.

Congregation: Femilies 43, (adults 130, children 81,) total 211; Baptisms, (infants) 4; Communicants, (admitted 1, received 4,) total 5; present number 39; Marriages 2; Burials 3; Public Services, (on Sundays 92, on other days 28,) total 120; Number

<sup>\*</sup>Note. This report is from May 9, to August 18, 1841; the period it has been under the charge of the present Missionary.

of children catechised 30; number of times 9; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male female 8,) total 13; Pupils, (male 15, female 35,) total 50.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,	-	-	•	-	-	-	3	00
	•	-	•	-	•	•	_	00
Bibles and Prayer Books, -	•	-	-	•	•	•	_	70
General Fund for Church Object	8,	-	•	•	•	•	_	00
Foreign Missions, (Texas,) -	•	•		•		•	_	00
Christmas Fund for the Support						•	_	00
To Pay Interest on Church Debt				•		•		00
To Purchase a Church Bell,	•	•	•	•	•	•	400	00
						4		
						•	190	70

The present prospects of the Church here are encouraging. The congregation has much increased since my last report. The Sunday School has never been as well attended as at present. The faithfulness of the teachers deserve much praise. A Bible Class has been formed which receives instruction once a week. The evening service is performed every Wednesday evening, accompanied with remarks upon the peculiarities of the Church, or by reading some Missionary report. This service is attended with interest, and it is believed with much spiritual benefit. There are a number now waiting for confirmation. Our pecuniary embarrassments are now all of which we would complain. If, however, the Missionary Committee continue their favors as heretofore for a few years more, I have no doubt but that this difficulty will be in a measure removed.

St. Paul's Church, Oxford, Chenango county; the Rev. LEVERETT BUSH, D. D., Rector.

Families 40; Communicants 70; Baptisms 5; Funerals 4; Marriages 3; Sunday Scholars 40; Teachers 6.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz :

Christmas Fund,	•	-	•	•	•	•	•	26	85
Missionary Fund, -	• •	•	•	•	•	•	•	18	50
Bibles and Prayer Books,	-	•	•	•	•	•	•	_	00
Diocesan Objects, -			•	•	-	•	•	_	50
Missionary and Education		ety,	•	•	•	•	•		90
Bibles and Prayer Books,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		69
Missionary Association,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	14	00

In consequence of poor health and frequent absence from the Parish, I have not been able to make all the required collections.

Christ Church, Sherburne, Chenango connty; the Rev. Thomas Towell, Rector.

Congregation: Families 56, (adults 162, children 98,) total 260; Communicants, (admitted 6, received 4,) total 10; died 2; removed 2; present number 72; Marriages 8; Burials 6; Public Services, (on Sundays 110, on other days 7,) total 117; Children ontechised: number of children 40; number of times 2; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 1, female 5,) total 6; Pupils, (male 17, female 23,) total 40.

Collections have been made on the second Sunday of every month, but not having had an opportunity of seeing the Warden who took charge of them, I am not able to say how much has been contributed, or to what objects they have been applied.

The attendance on the regular services of the Church has, for the past year, been more numerous and more steady than on the preceding. I regret that I have not had an opportunity of catechising all the children in the Sunday School oftener, but not

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being able to procure a sufficient number of teachers, I was obliged to take a class, which occupies all my time during the intermission. I purpose however soon to take this class, as they are all grown up, on a week evening, and by this means will be extabled to attend to the other scholars generally on Sundays.

Calvary Church, Homer, Cortland county; the Rev. Erastus B. Foots, Rector.

Congregation: Families 21, (adults 95, children 60,) total 154; Baptisms, (adults 3, infant 1,) total 4; Communicants, (admitted 1, received 2,) total 3; removed) 5; present number 32; Burial 1; Public Services, (on Sundays 42, on other days 3, total 45; Number of Children catechised 11; Sunday school 1; Teachers, (male 2, female 2,) total 4; Pupils, (male 5, female 10,) total 15.

Collections :---

For Parochial Objects, - - - -

The Rev. Henry Gregory resigned the Rectorship of this Parish on the 29th of November last. From that time to the 18th of April, Lay service was performed by the senior Warden, Dr. A. F. Dodge. Since then the present Rector has been officivating. Our Churck is small, but the interest in it is evidently increasing.

St. Paul's Church, Auroraville, Erie county.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

Grace Church, Black Rock, Erie county.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. Paul's Church, Buffalo, Erie county; the Rev. WILLIAM SHELTON, D. D., Rector.

Congregation: Families 120; Baptisms, (adults 7, infants 46,) total 53; Confirmed 22; Communicants, (admitted) 15; present number 130; Marriages 8; Burials 15; Public Services, (on all Sundays, on other days 2, in Lent weekly;) Number of children catechised 80; number of times, each Sunday; Sunday school 1; Teachers, (male 2, female 8,) total 10.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

General Fund for Chui	rch Ol	ojects,	-	•	•	•	-	<b>\$</b> 195 00
Theological Seminary,	•	•	•	•	•	-	-	30 00
	•	-	•	•	•	-	-	<b>350 00</b>
For Christmas Fund,	-	•	•	•	•	-	•	<b>85 00</b>
For the Church at Ann	. Arbo	r, Mic	hige	m,	•	•	-	50 00
								<b>\$</b> 710 00

The Parish of St. Paul's Church was never, by the blessing of God, in a more prosperous condition. The Rector woold remark that in connection with the Sunday School, he has before morning service a class of the older girls to recite to him Scripture lessons and the Church Catechism, and such other studies as are deemed best adapted to their capacities; and after the afternoon service of each Sunday, the same course is pursued with the older boys, who have been through the regular course of Sunday School instruction; and it is believed with excellent results.

Trinity Church, Buffalo, Eric county; the Rev. C. S. HAWES, Rector.

Congregation: Families 85; Baptisms, (adult 1, infants 21,) total 22; Confirmed 15; Communicants about 82; Marriages 16; Burials 12; Public Services, (on Sundays 88, on other days 31,) total 119.

The monthly collections have been made, with the exception of three months, when the Rector was unwell or absent from the Parish, amounting to - 130 32

For the Christmas Fund, - - - - - 32 00

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The Parish is still engaged in erecting its Church edifice, which, it is hoped, will serve as some apology for the small amount of collections. The Rector would remark that being absent from home on account of the sickness of his family, he could not consult his Parish register, and has therefore made his report as accurate as possible without it.

St. James' Church, Batavia, Genesee county; the Rev. James A. Bolles, Rector.

Cottgregation: Families 98, (adults 286, children 310,) total 596; Baptisms, (adults 18, infants 24,) total 42; Confirmed 21; Communicants, (admitted) 25; died 2; present number 120; Marriages 9; Burials 16; Public Services, (on Sundays 52, on other days 18,) total 75; Number of children catechised 150; number of times 12; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 7, female 10,) total 17; Pupils 160.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated to the

General Fund for Church Objects, - : - - \$108 91

St. Mark's Church, Le Roy, Genesee county; the Rev. George D. Gillespie, Rector.

Congregation: Families about 66; Baptisms, (adults 4, infants 5,) total 9; Confirmed 15; Communicants, (admitted 5, received 2,) total 7; died 1; removed 7; present number 76; Marriages 2; Burials 6; Public Services by the late Rector on Sunday thorning and evening; on Wednesday evening lecture, a Bible Class, and service on Wednesday and Friday evenings during Lent; Number of Children catechised 60; number of times 1; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 6, female 6,) total 12; Pupils 62.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions, -	•	-	•	•	-	-	-	80	82
The Episcopal Fund, -	• •	•	-	•	-	-	-	8	00
Unappropriated, -	-	-	-	-	-	•	•	13	97
For the Church at Ann Ar	bor.	•	-	_	•	-	•	10	00
Sunday School of the Par	ish.	•	-	-	-	•	•	6	00
Christmas Fund,	•	•	-	•	-	-	-	13	00
Monthly Collection in the	Sun	dav	Scho	ol. ar	gorge	riated	to		
the African Missions,	•	-	•	,,	-		•	9	07
Parochial Objects, -	•	•	•	•	•	•	-	236	
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The present incumbent entered upon his duties July 26th, 1841, and his report includes little more than the records left by the late Rector on the Parish register. He has only to remark that the unity prevailing in the congregation, and general aspect

of the Parish are such as to attest that his predecessor has been unwearied in exertions for the charge committed to his trust, and that the Great Head of the Church has been pleased to follow with a blessing his efforts.

#### St. John's Church, Sheldon, Genesee county. [Vacant.]

[There is no report from this Parish ]

# St. Clement's Church, Weathersfield Springs, Genesee county [There is no report from this Parish.]

St. Paul's Church, Brownville, Jefferson county; the Rev. FERDINAND ROGERS, Rector.

Congregation: Families 35, (adults 90, children 70,) total 160; Baptisms, (adults 2, infants 7,) total 9; Communicants: présent number 35; Marriages 3; Children catechised 40; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 1, female 7,) total 8; Pupils 50.

Collections have been made,

For the General Fund, " Christmas Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	-	•	.4 65 9 00
•				•				\$18 65

All Saint's Church, Dexter, Jefferson county; the Rev. FERDINAND ROGERS, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 30, total number of individuals 150; Baptisms, (infants) 8; Communicants, (admitted 3, received 2,) total 5; present number 8; Burials 2; Public Services, (on Sundays 60, on other days 2,) total 62.

Collections have been inade,

Fer the	General Fund for	r Churcl	d Ob	jec <b>u</b> ,	-	<b>:</b>	•	- '	6 59
K	Christmas Fund,	<b>-</b>	•	-	•	•	-	-	5 00
									<b>8</b> 11 59

The prospects of the Church in this young and growing village are every day brightening. The services of our Zion have made an impression here which cannot but result in time in great good to the souls of many to whom, until recently, they have never been known.

### Zion Church, Pierrepont Manor, Jefferson county. [Vacant.]

[This report was made by the Warden.]

The last service rendered by our late Missionary was at Easter. He left here 29th April for Cape Vincent. Since that time there have been but three services by the

nearest Missionary as ordered by the Bishop. There have been a few removals, etherwise the congregation is the same as heretofore, and with proper management might be much increased; and most probably a Church likewise organized at Adams.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions, -	•	•	•	•	•	•	-	21 60
Bible and Prayer Book So	ciety	7, -	•	-	•	-	_	10 00
Tract Society,	•	•	•	-	•	-	•	10 00
Christmas Fund,	•	•	•	-	•	•	-	7 27
Education Department,	•	•	•	•.	•	•	•	6 00
Sunday School Union.	•	•	•	-	•	-	-	5 00
Theological Seminary,	-	•	•	-	•	-	•	5 00
Expenses of Convention,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	3 19
Episcopal Fund,	•	•	•	-	•	-	•	2 00
Diocesan Fund,	•	•	-	-	•	-	•	1 00
								<b>8</b> 71 06

Christ Church, Sackett's Harbor, Jefferson county; the Rev. J. Noble, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 30, (adults 40, children 26,) total 96; Baptisms, (adult 1, infants 5,) total 6; Communicants, (admitted) 1; died and removed 2; present number 35; Burials 3; Public Services, (on Sundays 2, on other days 1,) total 3; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 1, female 3,) Pupils 17.

Since I commenced pastoral duties here in the month of January, the Church has been tolerably well attended, especially in the morning; and I feel sanguine that with care and perseverance, some good at least may be effected; people generally are accessible on religious subjects, and fewer prejudices perhaps exist against the Church than in most places. Owing to an incumbrance now on the Church which requires to be immediately removed, we have not as yet been able to make the usual collections for Missionary, Education, and Diocesan purposes; this difficulty however, I trust, will soon be obviated, when I doubt not Sackett's Harbor will contribute a fair quota to benevolent objects.

Trinity Church, Watertown, Jefferson county; the Rev. John F. Fish, Rector.

Congregation: Families 95; Baptisms, (adults 5, infants 15,) total 20; Constitutionts, (admitted 17, received 4,) total 21; died 3; removed 1; present number 83; Marriages 5; Burials 13; Public Services, (on Sundays) 2; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 7, female 12,) total 19; Pupils, (male 43, female 50,) total 93.

Collections have been made,

For the Christmas Fund, -	<b>'</b> -	•	-	•	•	-	15 50
For the Sunday School Books,							
	•						10 00
To Cape Vincent Church, -	•	-	•	•	•	•	125 90
							<b>\$</b> 165 <b>50</b>

It ought to be stated in explanation of the small amount given by this Parish to general purposes, that more than fifteen hundred dollars have been raised within the year to liquidate the Church debt. This debt is now cancelled.

#### St. Paul's Church, Lewis county. [Vacant.]

[There is no report from this Parish.]

#### Trinity Church, Lowville, Lewis county. [Vacant.]

[This report was made by the Vestry.]

During the past year the Parish has been visited by Rev. Mr. Rogers, of Brownville; Rev. Mr. Fish, of Watertown; Rev. Mr. Lockwood, of Rome; Rev. Mr. Patterson, Rev. Mr. Perry, and Rev. Dr. Proal, of Utica; in accordance with the Canon providing for the supply of vacant Parishes, each of whom performed divine service in the Parish; and the latter of whom baptized one child, (or person.)

Contributions have been made to three of the Church objects.

The members and friends of the Church at Lowville indulge the hope that they may continue to seceive occasional visits from the clergy in the vicinity, under the Canon above referred to, and express the hope that a suitable place of worship will be procured during the coming year, and that thereafter they will be able, by the aid of the Missionary stipend, to have regular and stated services in the Parish, by the employment of a Missionary or regular Pastor.

#### St. Peter's Church, Dansville, Livingston county. [Vacant.]

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. Michael's Church, Geneseo, Livingston county; the Rev. LLOYD WINDSOR, Rector.

Congregation, about 50 families; Baptisms, (infants) 9; Confirmed 9; Communicants, (admitted 3, received 2,) total 5; died 1; removed 6; present number 42; Marriages 3; Burials 10; Public Services (on Sundays) 68; a third service held at the county poor house nearly every Sunday; Number of children catechised 30; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 3, female 7,) total 10; Pupils, (male 15, female 40,) total 55.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

					•			•
Diocesan Missions, -	-	•	•	•	•	-	•	10 00
" Education, -	•	•	-	•	•	•	•	5 00
Expenses of the Convention	ж,	-	•	•	•	•	•	2 00
Bibles and Prayer Books,	•	-	•	•	-	-	•	5 00
Tracts,	•	•	•	•	-	•	•	2 00
Episcopal Fund,	•	•	• .	•	-	•	•	10 00
General Fund for Church	Obje	cts,	•	•	-	•	•	3 41
Sunday School Books,	•	•	•	•	•	-	•	10 00
For Repairing Organ, -	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	50 00
improving Church Ground	8,	•	•	•	•	-	•	100 00
	-			•				•
								<b>8</b> 197 41

The usual winter course of lectures on Wednesday evening has been held. The Vestry of this Church have recently resolved to make thorough repairs in the Church edifice, &c. The congregation is slowly on the increase in numbers, and is evidently impreving in its spiritual condition.

St. John's Church, Mount Morris, Livingston county; the Rev. Charles D. Cooper, Missionary. [Reported by Rev. Henry S. Attwater, late Missionary.

Congregation: Families, (adults 128, children 78,) total 206; Baptisms, (adult 1, infants 9,) total 10; Confirmed 6; Communicants, (admitted 1, received 4,) total 5;



removed 2; present number 41; Marriages 3; Buriale 3; Public Bervices, (on Sundays 87, on other days 31,) total 118; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 4, female 5,) total 9; Pupils, (male 10, female 20,) total 30.

The Monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions.	•	•	-	-	•	•	-	6 50
" Education, -	•	-	•	-	•	-	-	3 00
Expenses of the Conventi	ion,	•	-	-	•	•	-	2 00
Bibles and Prayer Books,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	3 00
Tracts,	-	-	-	-	-	•	•	4 30
Increase of the Episcopat	e Fw	ad,	-	-	•	•	•	3 00
Domestic Missions,	-	•	-	•	-	•	`-	4 54
Foreign Missions, -	-	-	•	•	-	•	•	3 00
Sunday School Union,	•	-	•	•	•	•	•	2 80
Christmas Fund for Disab	led C	lergy	men,	- `	• •	•	-	8 00
								840 14

Zion Church, Avon, Livingston county; the Rev. Samuel G. Appleton, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 40, (adults 104, children 74,) total 178; Baptisms, (adults 2, infants 11,) total 13; Confirmed 9; Communicants, (admitted 5, received 4,) total 9; present number 28; Burials 3; Public Services, (on Sundays 66, on other days 12,) total 78; Number of children catechised 25; number of times 2; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 2, female 4,) total 6; Pupils 25.

Collections have been made and appropriated as follows, vix:

General Fund for Church Objects, -					<b>18 00</b>
Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen	•	•	-	-	9 00
For the purchase of an Organ,	•	-	-	•	500 00
					<b>\$587 00</b>

The present Missionary took charge of this station at Christmas, and was chosen Rector of the Church at Easter. This report, therefore, embraces little more than half a year. Though this Parish is still weak, yet if our spiritual condition corresponded with our outward prosperity, we should be indeed flourishing.

A new and fine toned organ of suitable size has lately been placed in the Church. For this we are very much indebted to the enterprising exertions of the ladies of the congregation.

In addition to the above report I will state that I have officiated regularly twice every Sunday; also on the principal Festivals and Fasts of the Church, and every Friday evening in Lent. I have given my personal attention to the Sunday School, which I uniformly open and close with devotional exercises. I have preached four times in Skaneatelas; three times in Geneseo, (once when the Rector of that Parish was ill;) once in St. Luke's and once in Grace Church, Rochester; ence in East Bleomfield; and once in Centrefield.

St. Thomas' Church, Hamilton, Madison county. [Vacant.]

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. Stephens' Church, Perryville, Madison county; The Rev. Wm. M. Weber, M. D., Missionary.

Congregation: Families 18; Communicants about 20; Baptisms (infants) 4; Confirmed 4.

The collections have been

For Church Objects, - For the Christmas Offering,	•	-	-	•	•	•	•	9
For the Christmas Offering,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	3
,							-	4:0

But little change has taken place in the condition of this parish, since the last Convention. I have continued to officiate once on each Sunday during the past year; and although the Church has had but little increase in numerical strength, still your Missionary is not without hope that there is an increasing interest felt in the all important subject of religion.

St. Luke's Church, Brockport, Monroe county; the Rev. Tapping R. Chipman, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 46, (adults 110, children 80,) total 190; Baptisms, (adults 3, infants 3,) 6; Confirmed 8; Communicants, (admitted 8, received 2,) total 10; removed 6, present number 38; Marriages 8; Burials 6; Public services, (on Sundays 80, on other days 2,) total 82; Sunday School 1, Teachers (male 2, female 4,) total 6; Pupils (male 15, female 25,) total 40.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Education and Mi	ission	L.	•	•	•	-	2 50
For Bibles and Prayer Books,	-	•	•	•	•	•	2 00
For Tracts,	•	•	•	-	•.	•	3 00
For General Fund for Church Ol	bjec <b>ts</b> ,	ı	•	-	-	•	3 00
For General Theological Semin	ary,	-	•	•	-	-	5 00
For Domestic Missions, -	•	-	-	•	-	-	5 50
Foreign Missions,	•	•	•	-	-	•	<b>2</b> 50
For expenses of General Conve	ntion,		•	-	•	•	2 00
For Christmas Fund for Disable	d Clei	gym	en,	-	•	-	5,00
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In the foregoing statistics I have been obliged to depart from the prescribed form in regard to the item of collections, since the proceeds of our monthly collections are distributed among the general institutions of the Church, as well as among those belonging to our own Diocese.

This parish is now drawing near the close of the third year of its existence. It is with much anxiety, not however, entirely without hope, that we look forward to the future. If this report could have been made a few weeks later, the prospects of the parish could have been spoken of with more definiteness. At present all is doubtful conjecture. May the great Head of the Church be in our midst, and direct us to the promotion of his glory.

St. John's Church, Honeoye Falls, Monroe county; the Rev. NATHANIEL F. BRUCE, M. D. Missionary.

Congregation: Families 20, (adults 65, children 30): total number of individuals 95; Baptism (infant) 1; Communicants, removed 1, present number 12; Marriage 1; Burial 1; Public Services, on Sundays 2, on other days 5.

The congregation of Honeoye Falls, although having many difficulties to struggle against, continues steadily to improve. Having been engaged in the erection of a

Church edifice, all the means they could procure have been expended on their building; and hence there have not been any of the canonical collections made. Their Church edifice is nearly ready for consecration, and will be consecrated whenever it may be convenient to the Bishop to appoint the time. The congregation have been compelled to incur a heavy debt, which, unless some relief is obtained, will bear heavily upon them, and greatly embarrass their future operations. An appeal has been made to Trinity Church in the city of New York, which remains to be responded to; and an effort to make some collections by the present missionary was not successful. In New York he obtained barely sufficient to defray his expenses; in Rochester he has obtained subscriptions to the amount of \$105.

Your Missionary regrets he has found it necessary to abandon Scottsville, these not having been any provision made for his support there since the spring commenced. He must still bear his testimony to the continued liberality of St. Luke's Church, Rochester, towards his support the year past: having received from one of the societies fifty dollars, and from two benevolent individuals of the same Church five dollars each.

As yet there has not been a Sunday School organized, because there is no suitable place for the children to meet, and therefore it has been deemed expedient to omit it until the Church edifice shall be completed.

Trinity Church, Penfield, Monroe county.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

Grace Church, Rochester, Monree county; the Rev. WASHINGTON VAN ZANDT, Rector.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. Luke's Church, Rochester, Monroe county; the Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., Rector.

Congregation: Families 170; number of individuals about 900; Baptisms, (adults 3, infants 60,) total 63; Confirmed 15; Communicants, (admitted 15, received 6,) total 21; removed 6; present number about 400; Marriages 18; Burials 9; Public Services, (on Sundays 2, on other days 1, during Lent 2,) total 123; Children catechised during 6 months of the year: Sunday Schools 2; Teachers, (male 20, female 21,) total 41; Pupils, (male 150, female 200,) total 350.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

General Fund for Church Objects,	•	•	•	•	•	260 00
Theological Seminary,			•			40 00
Domestic Missions,	•	•	• •	•	-	338 50
Foreign Missions,	-	•	•	•	-	268 00
Parochial and other objects, about	-	•	•	•	•	1600 00
						40000 50
						<b>\$2506 50</b>

The above statistics, for the last ten months, since the report of 1840, are as accurate as practicable in so large a congregation; most of the items are supposed to be strictly correct. In the number of the congregation and of the communicants, this precision is not attainable. The course of LENT LECTURES (being the tenth) was entitled "The Lord our Rightheousness," seventeen in number. The Bible Class

is continued weekly. The congregation in its average attendance has been larger this year, and the pews are all rented. The Rector believes all to be peaceful and prosperous, and records as a peculiar instance of the divine goodness, that not a single death has occurred among the communicants, and only one adult in the congregation.

### St. Paul's Church, Lewiston, Niagara county; the Rev. Rurus Murray, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 33, (adults 105, children 72,) total 177; Baptisms, (adults 3, infants 14,) total 17; Communicants, (admitted 4, received 3,) total 7; died 1; removed 2; present number 30; Marriages 9; Burials 14; Public Services, (on Sundays 80, on other days 25,) total 105; Number of children catechised 40; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 3, female 5,) total 8; Pupils, (male 15, female 25,) total 40.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,	-	-	•	•	•	8 00
Expenses of the Convention, -	•	•	•	•	-	1 25'
Increase of the Episcopate Fund.	•	•	•	•	•	2 00
General Fund for Church Objects,	-	•	-	•	•	2 00
Domestic Missions,		•	•	•	•	1 25
Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergym	en,	•	•	•	•	10 00
	•					
						<b>224</b> 50

In addition to the usual services on Sundays and Holy Days in St. Paul's Parish; I have held a third service at Youngstown every other Sunday, where a desire for the services and a preference is manifested by an attentive audience for the Liturgy of the Church.

Christ Church, Lockport, Niagara county; the Rev. Emmazes H. Cressey, Rector.

Congregation: Families about 65, (adults about 180, children about 130,) total about 310; Baptisms, (adults 4, infants 10,) total 14; Confirmed 29; Communicants, (admitted 16, received 8,) total 24; died 1; removed 5; present number 67; Marriages 4; Burials 5; Public Services, (on Sundays 106, on other days 19,) total 125.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

General Fund for Church Objects,	•	•	-	18 25
Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen, -	•	•	•	12 00
Sunday School and other Parochial Objects,	•	•	•	<b>96</b> 13
•				256 38

Parish Library seventy volumes. Weekly Lectures during the season of Lent, and public service daily in Passion Week.

Grace Church, Lockport, Niagara county; the Rev. George Denison, Rector.

Congregation: Families 75, (adults 150, children 60,) total 210; Baptisms, (adults 4, infants 6,) total 10; Confirmed 13; Communicants, (admitted 13, received 11,) total 24; died 1; removed 13; present number 68; Marriages 6; Burials 9; Public Ser-

vices during ten and a half months 100; Children catechised 50, weekly; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 5, female 7,) total 12; Pupils 50.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz :

Diocesan Missions,	-	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	5 00
" Education,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	5 60
Expenses of the Conv	entic	on,	•	-	•	•	•	•	3 00
Bibles and Prayer Boo	oks,	•	-	•	•	-	•	•	3 00
Tracts,	•	•	•	•	•	•	-	•	3 00
Increase of the Episco	pate	Fun	d,	•	•	•	-	-	2 00
General Fund for Chu	irch	Objec	cts,	•	•	-	•	•	3 00
Theological Seminary	,	•	•	-	-	•	-	•	2 00
Domestic Missions,	•	•	-	•	-	-	•	• •	5 00
Foreign Missions,	•	•	•	•	•	-	•	•	5 00
Christmas Fund for Di	sable	ed Cl	ergy	men,	•	•	•	-	6 00
Parochial Objects, abo	ut	-	•	•	•	-	•	- 11	00 00
•			•					_	
								\$11	142 00

Under the head of Parochial Objects is included the expense of a new organ; also of lamps, and the entire support of service.

There has been a Bible class part of the year.

St. Luke's Church, Royalton, Niagura county; the Rev. STEPHEN Deuglass, Missionary.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

Christ Church, Bridgewater, Oneida county; the Rev. James Sunderland, Missionery.

Congregation: Families 22, (adults 52, children 33,) total 85; Communicants, (admitted 1, received 3,) total 4; removed 2; present number 12; Barial 1; Public Services, on Sundays, for half the time, always 2, and for some part of the time 3; on other days, for part of the time, 1; and an occasional evening service on the intermediate Stindays. The children are always catechised when they can be assembled; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 1, female 3,) total 4; Pupils, (male 5, female 10,) total 15.

Collections have been made but in part and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions, - ! -							
Expenses of the Convention,	. •	•	•	_	•	•	1 00
					•		<b>\$</b> 9 M

This Parish has been organized only about two years. My services commenced here not far from four months ago. At that time the attendance on public worship was generally about fifty persons. We now have from eighty to about one hundred. The establishment of an Episcopal congregation here, has thus far been merely a tracter of experiment. The prospects before us, however, are more encouraging now than they ever have been at any previous time. The prejudices against the Church were at first strong, but they are gradually wearing away. We have a very nest finished chapel, an organ, and a good choir of singers; and we are nearly free from debt. Our efforts, however, to meet these expenses have prevented us from making all the collections; but we have done what we could.

St. Paul's Church, Holland Patent, Oneida county; the Rev. STEPHEN McHugh, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 25, (adults) 65; Baptisms, (adults 2, infant 1,) total 3; Confirmed 16; Communicants, (admitted 3, received 6,) total added 9; removed 4, present number 40; Marriages 5; Burials 2; Public services, (on Sundays 54, on other days 4,) total 58; Sunday School 1; Teachers (male 1, female 3,) total 4; Pupils (male 8, female 18,):total 20.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Bibles an	id Prayer E	Books,	•	•	-		•	-	′ 2	00
For General										
For Parochia	l Objects,  •		•	•	•	•	-	•	100	00
				•						-
•									<b>1</b> 112	M

Under this head I would simply observe, that the village of Holland Patent is a very small one, and strictly speaking, only a hamlet, and when it is considered that small as it is, there are four other places of worship, it cannot be expected that we would receive such large accessions to our communion or congregation as under other circumstances we might reasonably hope for, our expectations as to increase must depend in a great measure on the rising generation, and I have strong reasons for believing our expectations will be ultimately realized through the aid of our Divine Head.

### St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, Oneida county; the Rev. Hobart Williams, Rector.

Congregation: Families 35, (adults 108, children 59,) Individuals forming parts of families 20, total 187; Communicants, (admitted) 1; died 2; removed 3; present number 42; Marriages 5; Burials 3; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 2, female 5,) total 7; Pupils, (male 17, female 15,) total 32.

The Monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Collections, -	-	-	•	-	-	•	•-	•	<b>35 7</b> 5
Christmas Fund for	Disab	led	Clergy	men,	•	•	•	-	9 00
Parochial Objects,	-	•	•	•	-	•	•	•	100 00
		•							
									\$144 7K

The Parish having lost the valuable services of the Rev. H. L. Storrs, by his removal to another Diocese, the present Rector entered upon his duties on the first Sunday in August.

### St. Peter's Church, Oriskany, Oneida county; the Rev. Stephen McHugh, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 36; Baptisms, (adults 2, infants 4) total 6; Confirmed 8; Communicants, (admitted) 4; died 2; present number 52; Marriages 2; Burials 6; Public Services, (on Sundays 56, on other days 4,) total 60; Children catechised three times; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 2, female 4,) total 6; Pupils, (male 20, female 24,) total 44.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Bibles and Prayer Bo	oks,	•	_	•	•		-	2 00
For Increase of the Episc	opate i	Fund	,					5 00
For Parochial Objects,	•	•	•		-	•	•	106 00
								-
							1	110 M

This congregation is steadily increasing. The number in attendance on the servi-

ces of the sanctuary during the past summer has been much larger than in any former year. Although your Missionary still continues the laborious duty of riding from Holland Patent to Oriskany between the morning and afternoon services, be the weather as it may, still his labors are made comparatively easy through the cheering prospects of the Parish.

St. Paul's Church, Paris Hill, Oneida county; the Rev. HENRY ECK, Rector.

Congregation: Families 34, (adults 107, children 52,) total 159; Baptism, (infant) 1; Communicants, (admitted) 2, removed 6, present number 42; Marriages 2; Burials 6; Public services, (on Sundays 94, on other days 8,) total 102; Sunday School 1, Teachers, (male 4, female 4,) total 8; Pupils, (male 17, female 22,) total 39.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Bibles and Prayer Books,	-	-	5 00
For General Fund for Church Objects,	•	- 2	0 41
For Domestic Missions,			
For the Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen,			
For Parochial Objects,			
·		\$12	1 41

The \$130 was expended in alterations and repairs of the Church imide. The six communicants that are marked removed have been added to Waterville. The congregation of St. Faul's Church have besides subscribed from fifty to sixty dollars towards erecting a church at Waterville. The congregation in this parish continues good, and in the general current of their affairs, as usual, it may be said that they bear a tolerably favorable aspect. And I am happy in feeling authorized to say that during the time which I have been with this Church (which is from four to five years) that they have on all occasions acted with promptness, and with a becoming cheerfulness in sustaining the interests of the Church.

Zion Church, Rome, Oneida county; the Rev. HENRY LOCKWOOD, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 32, (adults 85, children 71,) total 156; Baptisms, (adults 3, infants 7,) total 10; Communicants, (admitted 5, received 5,) total 10; died 1; removed 1: present number 38; Marriage 1; Burials 3; Public Services, (on Sundays 76, on other days 4,) total (since Nov. 6th.) 80; Children catechised 30; number of times 4; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 4, female 4,) total 8; Pupils about 40.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

[The sum appropriated to each of these objects is net exactly known, but the following distribution is supposed to be correct.]

Diocesan Missions,	•	•	-	•	-	•	6 50
" Education, \ -	•	•	•	•	-	•	
Expenses of the Convention,	•	•	-	•	-	•	3 76
Distribution of Bibles and Pray	rer Boo	oke,	•	•	•	-	10 00
Increase of the Episcopate Fun General Fund for Church Obje	nd,	•	-	•	•	•	3 60
General Fund for Church Obje	cts.	•	-	•	-	•	14 84
Domestic Missions,	•	•	••	•	•	•	6 00
Christmas Fund for Disabled C	Jerryn	en.	-	-	•	•	18 37
Parochial Objects,	•	•	-	•	•	•	27 11
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•							<b>2</b> 90 18

Other services have been held agreeably to the Bishop's appointments for vacant Parishes, viz: in Trinity Church, Constantia, on one Sunday; in St. Paul's Church,

Turia, and Constableville, one Sunday; and for the congregation of Trinity Church, Lowville, where I preached once and administered the communion.

A weekly Bible Class has been kept up with an encouraging attendance most of the time, but is new temporarily suspended from the want of strength to attend to it properly. The Sunday School is examined every Sunday on the lessons in the New Testament, and the attention of the children directed also to the services of the Church in the Prayer Book. The plan has been adopted of catechising the school before the thancel on the afternoon of every communion Sunday. A ladies' sewing society has been formed, and a commendable degree of zeal has been exhibited by this portion of the congregation for the prosperity of the Church. There has been, it is believed, an evident increase of attachment to the pure and edifying services of the Church; and some who have never before been acquainted with them, have been led to approve and to love them.

Grace Church, Utica, Oneida county; the Rev. A. C. PATTERSON, Rector.

Congregation: Families 72, (adults 200, children 144,) total 341; Baptisms, (adults 2, infants 16,) total 18; Confirmed 4; Communicants, (admitted 9, received 10,) total added 19, died 1, removed 2, present number 96; Marriages 3; Burials 1; Public services, (on Sundays 77, on other days 22,) total 99; Children catechised 20; number of times, monthly; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 5, female 16,) total 21; Pupils, (male 35, female 54,) total 89.

The menthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions,	•	-	<b>7</b> 5	52
	-	•	7	65
For Domestic Missions,	•	•	2	<b>50</b>
For Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen, -	•	- ,		
For St. Andrew's Church, Ann Arbor, Michigan,	•	•	34	
For the Church at Southport, Wisconsin,	•	`-	25	
For Parochial Objects,	•	•	1709	93
		9	1884	60

At a special appointment for Confirmation in this Church on the evening of Ash-Wednesday, February 24th, four persons were confirmed. On six Sundays since the last Convention, the services of the Church have been omitted on account of the Recter's absence at that Convention, and on account of the enlargement of the church now in progress. The funds for this enlargement (\$1600,) were subscribed before the work was commenced, and we hope to occupy the church again in two weeks. It will, as enlarged, contain about twice the number of worshippers that could be accommodated before.

Trinity Church, Utica, Oncida county; the Rev. PIERRE A. PROAL, D. D., Rector.

Congregation: Families 150; Baptisms, (adults 2, infants 19,) total 21; Confirmed 31; Communicants, (admitted 15, received 10.) total 25; died 1; removed 18; present number 158; Marriages 10; Burials 10; Public Services, (on Sundays 130, on other

days 37,) total 167; Children catechised once a month half the year; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 3, female 10,) total 13; Pupils, (male 25, female 76,) total 101.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,	•	•	-	•	•	-	•	•	103 63
" Education		•	•	•	•	•	-	•	5 43
Bibles and Prayer Bo	oks,	•	•	•	•	•	•	-	14 07
Tracts,	•	•	•	-	•	•	•	-	14 73
Increase of the Episc	opete	Fw	nd,	•	-	•	•	-	4 99
General Fund for Chi	urch (	Obid	cts	•	•	•	-	•	12 92
Christmas Fund for I	)isabl	ed (	Clergy	men	. •	•	• •	•	<b>50 00</b>
Domestic Missions,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	29 44
Foreign Missions, (T	OTRE :	and	Afric	(ه	•	•	•	•	16 47
Jubilee College, -	•	•	-	•	•	•	•	•	28 91
Church at Westord,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	-	7 50
Parochial Objects,	•	•	-	•	•	-	•	-	44 00
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The services are continued in this Parish as in former years. The results encourage the Rector to persevere in a steady adherence to the authoritative requirements of the Church, as the safest and surest mode of promoting among the people of his cure their growth in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Agreeably to the appointment of the Bishep, under the Canon for the supply of vacant Parishes, I visited early in the month of February, the Churches in Lowville, Turin, and Constableville—and in the former of these baptized one child.

Grace Church, Waterville, Oneida county; the Rev. Fortume C. Brown, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 25, (adults 85, children 60,) total 145; Baptisms, (infants) 6, Communicants, (admitted 11, received 15,) total 26; present number 26; Public Services, (on Sundays 77, on other days 13,) total 90; Children catechised 30; number of times instructed 14; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 3, female 4,) total 7; Pupils, (male 10, female 20,) total 30.

Collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

								•	13 00
Parochial Objects, -	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	7 00
							•		0 50
Bibles and Prayer Books	١, ٠	•	•	•	-	•	-	•	2 50
Diocesan Missions, -	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	-	3 00

Previous to the first Sunday in Advent, the services in this place were occasional. Since that day they have been regularly three fourths of the time. The average attendance is about seventy. The Sunday School is under the immediate instruction of the Missionary. The children are learning the catechism, and on each Lord's day are questioned on some portions of it. The Vestry are making efforts to erect a small and convenient chapel; sufficiently large however to accommodate the audience for several years to come.

At Oriskany Falls there have been services for one fourth of the time on the afternoon of each alternate Sunday. The number of times is nineteen. The attendance is usually from fifty to sixty. There are from fifteen to twenty families either attached or favorably disposed to the Church, including about seventy-five persons; twenty-five of whom are children. Besides those reported above as belonging to Grace Church, Waterville, there are about twenty communicants in the vicinity of Oriskany Falls, several of whom were formerly members of the Church at Hamilton.

<sup>\*</sup>Note. There have been other collections for feeble Parishes in Michigan, Wisconsin, &c., but the amount has not been communicated to the Rector.

Grace Church, Baldwinsville, Onondaga county; the Rev. G. B. Engle, Missionary.

Baptism, (infant) 1; Communicants: (admitted 6, received 8,) total added 14; resmoved 7; present number 19; Burial 1; Public services, (on Sundays 40, on other days 3,) total 43; Sunday School 1; Pupils about 15.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For General Fund for Church Objects, - - - - \$8 00

From October to January my appointments were on each alternate Sunday at Baldwinsville forenoon and afternoon, and at Nut Hill in the evening; on the intermediate Sunday at Fulton, forenoon; Granby, afternoon, and at Martville in the evening, making 16 miles travel. In January, Fulton and Nut Hill appointments were discontinued. Since the first of March, my appointments have been Sunday forenoon, Baldwinsville; afternoon, Granby; and evening Martville, making a 24 miles ride each Sunday.

I have travelled as Missionary during the year 2775 miles; officiated 140 times; administered the Lord's Supper 8 times; Baptized 3 persons; Married 1; Burled 1 child; Instructed Bible Class 18 times; Organized 1 parish; Laid the Corner stones of 3 churches.

Trinity Church, Fayetteville, Onondaga county; the Rev. Josian M. Bartlett, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 24, (adults 72, children 46,) total 118; Baptisms, (adult 1, infants 3,) total 4; Confirmed 5; Communicants, (admitted 4, received 3,) total 7; died 1; removed 3; present number 38; Burials 3; Public Services, (on Sundays 69, on other days 13; total 82; Children catechised every Sunday; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 6, female 3,) total 9; Pupils, (male 15, female 16,) total 31.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions, - 25 56
Christmas Fund for the Support of Disabled Clergymen, - 5 00

\$30 56

The present Missionary commenced his labors on Sunday, the 22d of November last. He has found the attendance on public worship in general good, and regards the condition and prospects of the Parish as encouraging.

Apostolic Church, Geddes, Onondaga county; the Rev. George. D. Gillespir, late Missionary.

At the request of the Bishop I commenced services at Geddes, May 23, and held nine services previous to my removal from Liverpool. The attendance on each occasion was large in proportion to the number connected with the congregation, and much anxiety was manifested for the services of a clergyman. The statistics remain about the same as at the date of the last report.

Families 21; Communicants 9.

St. Mark's Church, Jamesville, Onondaga county; the Rev. Stephen C. Millet, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 17, (adults 46, children 16,) total 62; Beptisms, (infants) 5; Communicants: (received) 2, died 1, removed 1, present number 21; Marriage 1; Public services, (on Sundays) 40; Children catechised 6; number of times 10.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz :

For Diocesan Missions,	•	•	•	-	•	50
For Expenses of the Convention,	-		•			50
For Increase of the Episcopate Fund	-	•	•	•		50
For General Fund for Church Objects,		•	•	•	•	1 80
For Christmas Fund,	-	•	•	•	- 9	2 50
					1	5 80

Ascension Church, Liverpool, Onondaga county; the Rev. George D. Gillespie, late Missionary.

Congregation: Families 19, (adults 66, children 29,) total 85; Baptisms, (infants) 5; and two infants out of the Parish; Communicants, (admitted) 2; present number 9; Marriages 2; Burials three in the Parish and three out of the Parish; Public Services, (on Sundays 39, on other days prayers 12 times, full services 23,) total 74; the Missionary has himself superintended the Sunday School, and taken part in the instruction of the scholars; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 10, female 9,) total 29; Pupils, average attendance about 40.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions,	•	•	•	-	-	4 05
Bibles and Prayer Books,						
Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	•	-	-	• `	•	2 24
Tracts for the use of the Parish, -	-	•	•	-	•	3 23
Sunday School of the Parish, -						11 63
Erection of a Church, about -	•	•	•	-	•	2050 00
•						
					•	9072 14

In the above statement of families and individuals connected with the Parish, only those are included who are known to be attached to the Church; in addition to these it is confidently believed that when the Church is completed a number will attend who are unconnected with any religious body. The corner stone of a Church edifice was faid June 22; the building will be of wood 34 by 48 feet, finished in Gothic style, and when completed will cost about \$2500; it is expected that it will be ready for consecration about October 1st of this year. On account of the expenditure required for this object, it has been thought advisable to omit most of the monthly collections.

About forty dollars collected in New York has been expended in the purchase of a Parish and Sunday School Library, numbering 128 volumes. These have been found eminently useful in the Sunday School, and among the inhabitants of the village generally.

Christ Church, Manlius, Onondaga county; the Rev. SETH DAVIS, Rector.

Congregation: Families 48, (adults 115, children 88,) total 203; Baptisms, (adults 4, infants 7,) total 11; Confirmed 19; Communicants, (admitted 20, received 2,) total 22; removed 1; present number 86; the communicants residing in Cazenovia have hitherto been included in the list of this Parish which would make the number about

100; Burial (infant) 1; Public Services, on Sundays, generally 2, on other days 1,) total for four months, 56; Children catechised 20 times; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (pale 4, female 10,) total 14; Pupils, (male 32, female 42,) 74.

The monthly collections have been made from the 1st of January to the 1st of July, and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	10	00
Expenses of the Cor		on,	-	•	•	•	•	•	2	00
Bibles and Prayer B	ooks,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	5	00
Tracts,	•	•	-	•	•	•	•	•	4	00
Sunday Sunday Sch	100l U	nion		-	•	•	•	•	4	00
General Protestant	Episco	pal'	Theo	logica	al Sei	minaı	у, -	-	4	00
Domestic Missions,	•	•	-	٠.	•	•	•	•	4	00
Foreign Missions,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	4	00
Parochial Objects,	•	•	•	•	•	-	•	•	10	00
							•		947	<u></u>

I entered upon the duties of this Parish on the 1st Sunday in April last, and found an increased interest in spiritual and eternal things pervading the congregation, although they had been without pastoral supervision for several months. A regular and earnest attention to the appointed means of grace has been blessed by the Great Head of the Church, to the spiritual good of many among us; and there has been "added to the Church" such as we trust, will adorn the doctrine of God their Saviour in all things, and persevere unto the end, and be at last admitted to an inheritance incorruptible, undefiled and that fadeth not away.

St. John's Church, Marcellus, Onondaga county; the Rev. Thomas J. Ruger, Missionary.

\*\*Congregation: Families 45, (adults 145, children 93,) total 238; Baptisms (infants) 5; Confirmed 8; Communicants: (admitted 2, removed 1,) present number 28; Marriages 7; Burials 3; Public services, (on Sundays 99, on other days 8,) total 107; number of children catechised 40: number of times, a part of the usual instruction in the Sunday School; Sunday School 1; Teachers (male 4, female 4,) total 8; Pupils (male 21, female 19,) total 40.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions,	-	•	•	•#	•	-	-	5 (	00
For Expenses of the Conve	ntion	,	•	•	-	•	•		
For Education,	•	•	•	•	•	•		1 0	
For Christmas Fund, -	•	•	•	•				5 (	
20. 20.110110 1110110110		•	•			•		7	- <b>-</b> .
For Sunday School Books,		-	•			•			
For Parish Objects, -	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	45	13
•								70 €	<u></u>

The spiritual condition of the Church is in an improving state. The attendance on the puplic services is generally good.

Zion Church, Onondaga, Onondaga county; [Report made by the Warden.]

Communicants about 20; Burials 4; Public services, (on Sundays 8, on other days 2,) total 10.

The Rev. Marshall Whiting officiated until the 9th of November last, since which time we have had occasional services. Onondaga has been connected with Geddes as a Missionary station. We have had no regular services in our church since the 9th November last. There are only eight or nine families belonging to the Church at

present. Three or four other families from the Hollow who attended here formerly now attend at Syracuse. Our Church is in a very depressed condition in consequence of so many removals. We have relinquished the idea of endeavoring to obtain a minister, as we could raise a very inadequate sum for his support. For the last few years we have had the assistance of members of other societies whose places of public worship were not then occupied,—they have now preaching of their own.

### Christ Church, Pompey, Onondaga county; the Rev. Stephen C. Millett, Missionary

Congregation: Families 27, (adults 80, children 18,) total 98; Confirmed 6; Communicants, (received) 3: present number 36; Marriages 2; Burial 1; Public Services, (on Sundays 45, on other days 30,) total 75.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,	•	-	-	•	•	1 00
" Education,	•	•	•	•	•	1 00
Expenses of the Convention, -	-	-	•	-	-	50
Increase of the Episcopate Fund, -	•	•	•	•	-	50
General Fund for Church Objects,	•	•	•	•	•	1 90
Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergy	men.	• .	•	-	•	2 50
- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		-				
						\$7.40

### St. James' Church, Skaneateles, Onondaga county; the Rev. JOSEPH T. CLARK, Rector.

Congregation: Families 46, (adults 164, children 69,) total 233; Baptisms (adult 1, infants 7,) total 8; Confirmed 8; Communicants, (admitted 9, received 5,) total added 14; died 3, removed 4, present number 57; Marriages 10; Burials 6; Public services (on Sundays 91, on other days 20,) total 111; Sunday School 1; Teachers (male 1, female 7,) total 8; Pupils (male 20, female 30,) total 50.

The Monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz;

For Diocesan Missions, -	•	•	•	-	-	•	10 00
For Diocesan Education, -							
For Fund for Disabled Clergy							
For Parochial Objects,							
•							<del></del>
							987 25

I have always superintended the Sunday School, and catechised each class as I had opportunity. The prospects of the Church, both temporally and spiritually have steadily improved since my last report, and had it not been for the extra and unusual effort of the vestry and congregation, to liquidate the debt due for the parsonage, much more would have been done for the various objects of the Church.

### St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, Onondaga county; the Rev. HENRY GREGORY, Rector.

Congregation 80; (adults 240, children 160,) total 400; Baptisms, (infants) 3; Communicants, (received) 17; died 1; removed 11; present number 76; Marriages 4;

burials 7; Public Services, (on Sundays 83, on other days 27,) total 110; Children, etatechised 60; number of times 10; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 4, female 6) actal 10; Pupils, (male 25, female 25,) total 60.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions, -	-	•	•	•	•	•	•	.47	61
Expenses of the Convention	on,	•	•	•	•	-	•	7	33
Bibles and Prayer Books,	•	•	-	-	•	-	-	5	00
Distribution of Tracts,	-	•	-	•	-	•	•	_	00
General Fund for Church	<b>Ob</b>	ects.	•	•	•	-	•	28	86
Theological Seminary, Domestic Missions,	•	•	•	-	•	•	-	10	<b>50</b>
Domestic Missions,	•	-	-	•	-	•	•	. 31	29
Foreign Missions, -	•	•	•	•	-	-	•	5	00
Christmas Fund for Disabl	ed	Clergy	<b>W16</b>	D, •	-	•	••	22	23
Parochial Objects, -	•	•	-	•	•	-	•	52	68
								<b>8</b> 215	50

The present Recter of the Parish having entered upon his duties the first Sunday in December last, this report embraces a period of about nine months and a half. The outward condition of the congregation is presperous. The best evidence of this is to be found in the success attending their efforts for the erection of a new house of worship. The corner stone was laid on the second of July; the walls are now up some twenty feet; and the roof is expected to be on in October. The building is to cost \$14,000. The expense of the building, lot, with a new bell and organ, will increase that amount to nearly \$20,000.

### St. John's Church, Canandaigua, Ontario county; the Rev. Augustium P. Prevost, Rector.

Congregation: Families 58; Individuals 300; Baptisms, (adults 6, infants 30,) total 36; Confirmed 19; Communicants added 24; present number 90; would have been 117 but for the many removals from the Parish; Marriages 4; Burials 3; Public Services (on Sundays 103, on other days 45,) total 148; Children catechised and instructed in the Church every Sunday afternoon except on communion Sundays.

The menthly collections have been made and apprepriated as fellows, viz:

•					•	•			-	
General Fund for C	hura	h Ob	jec <b>ts</b> ,	• •	•	•	-	•	140	00
Christmas Fund for										00
In aid of feeble Par									80	00
Other Collections,									135	<b>90</b>
										<del></del>
•									<b>\$3</b> 85	00

The state of this congregation continues, by the blessing of God, peaceful and prospesses.

Trinity Church, Centrefield, Ontario county; the Rev. W. W. HICKOX, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 20; (adults 54, children 40,) total 94; Baptisms, (adults 2, infants 4,) total 6; Communicants, (admitted) 2; died 1; removed 1; present number 29; Marriage 1; Burials 2, out of the Parish 2, total 4; Public Services, (on Sundays 45, on other days 5,) total 30; Children satechised 20; owing to the necessity of dividing the day between two Parishes some miles distant, this duty has not been stead-

ily performed, but occasionally on Sundays and other days; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 2, female 2,) total 4; Pupils, (male 8, female 20,) total 28.

Collections have been made for the

In the death of one of its members, (who among the last acts of piety bequeathed one hundred and sixty acres of land lying in Michigan to Missionary purposes in that Diocese,) as also in the removal of another, this Parish has been not a little afflicted the past year.

### Zion Church, East Bloomfield, Ontario county; the Rev. W. W. Hickox, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 18, (adults 50, children 30,) total 80; Baptisms, (adult 1, infant 1,) total 2; Communicants, (admitted) 12; died 1; present number 20; Marriages 2; Burial 1; Public Services, (on Sundays 40, on other days 17,) total 57; Children catechised none—but a few books have been procured and a Sunday School is about to be organized.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Domestic Missions, - - - 5 00
Diocesan Missions, - - - 3 00

It must be remembered that this Parish has the services of a Missionary but one half the time, and that all the expenses incident to a new one are still upon it, and that I have necessarily been absent several Sundays on business connected with the Parish. The funds are now secured for the purchase of the Universalist house in which this congregation has heretofore worshipped; and as the permanency and prosperity of the Parish may now be considered almost certain, I think I may venture to promise in future more liberal contributions to Church objects.

### Trinity Church, Geneva, Ontario county; the Rev. PIERRE P. IRVING, Rector.

Congregation: Families 116, (adults 292, children 196,) total 488; Baptisms, (adults 2, infants 19,) total 21; Confirmed 11; Communicants, (admitted 16, received 6,) total 22; died 4; removed 11; present number 195; Marriages 6; Burials 10; Public Services, (on Sundays 92, on other days 31,) total 123; Children catechised 70; number of times 40; Sunday Schools 2; Teachers, (male 10, female 12,) total 22; Pupils, (male 50, female 60,) total 110.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

•						•				
Diocesan Missions,	-	•	•	•	•	•	-	•	200	_
" Education,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		00
Expenses of the Conv		n,	•	•	•	•	•	•		00
Bibles and Prayer Boo	oks,	•	•	•	•	-	•	•	_	00
Tracts,	•	•	-	•	•	•	•	•		00
Episcopal Fund, -	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	• •	_	00
Theological Seminary	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		00
For Domestic Mission	8,	•	-	•	•	•	•	•	100	
Foreign Missions,	•	•	•	•	•	•	-	•		00
For Christmas Fund for	r Die	able	d Cle	rgyn	en,	•	•	-	100	_
Church et Fulton, N.	Y.,	•	•	-	•	•	•	•	-	00
Sunday School of the	Pari	sh,	•	•	•	•	•	•		00
Parochial Objects,	•	•	•	•	•	-	-	•	204	
Charitable Purposes,	•	•	•	•	•	-	-	•	146	74
						•	•		2913	92

This report is for the Conventional year, beginning with October, 1840.

St. Paul's Church, Richmond, Ontario county; the Rev. Thomas Meachem, Rector.

Congregation: Families 24; Baptisms, (adults 3, infants 2,) total 5; Confirmed 5; Communicants, (added) 5; present number 30; Marriages 3; Burials 5; Public Services, (on Sundays 103, on other days 15,) 118; Sunday School 1; Children catechised 2.

The Monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,	-	•	-	-	-	•	-	•	8 54
Domestic Missions,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	2 69
African Missions,									1 00
General Fund for Ch									2 00
Christmas Fund for D	isab	led C	lergy	men,	•	•	•	•	10 00
									<b>\$24 23</b>

This Parish is steadily progressing. Your Missionary continues his monthly services at Weathersfield Springs, Wyoming county.

St. John's Church Vienna, Ontario county; the Rev. Erastus Spalding, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 35, (adults 80, children 70,) total 150; Baptisms, (infants) 4; Communicants: removed 1; present number 9; Marriages 5; Burials 5; Public Services, (on Sundays 44, on other days 1,) total 45; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male, 2, female 1,) total 3; Pupils 36.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, via:

General Fund for Church Objects, -	•	•	•	•	8 87
Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen,	•	-	-	-	1 62
1			•	•	-
•					\$10 49

In regard to this place I have to remark that the hopes of your missionary with respect to the prosperity of the Church here have suffered almost every vicissitude. More than once for the last year or eighteen months has the prospect been bright for erecting a Church. But these prospects have disappeared without accomplishing the desirable object. At present there appears to be a settled calm in regard to this matter.

St. John's Church, Medina, Orleans county; the Rev. STEPHEN DOUGLASS, Rector.

Congregation: Families 20, (adults about 60, children about 50,) tetal 110; Baptisms, (adults 3, infants 8,) total 11; Communicants, (admitted 9, received 3,) total 12; removed 1; present number 31; Marriages 2; Burials 3, none however belonging to the Parish; Public service twice nearly every Sunday, and on nearly all the Festivals and Fasts of the Church; Children catechised: I have kept no register of the exact number of times—I have however performed the duty frequently, both in open Church and in Sunday school; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 1, female 3,) total 4; Pupils, (male 9, female 21,) total 30.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	_	00
For Bibles and Prayer Boo	ks,	•	•	-	•	•	-	_	00
For Tracts,	: .	-	•	•	•	-	•	_	<b>60</b>
For General Fund for Church		<b>Ibject</b>	z,	• '	•	•	•	12	
- managed and and the last the	•	•	•	•	-	-	-	10	
Domestic Missions,		-	•	•	•	-	-	_	00
The property of the second	•	•	- '	-	•	•	•	_	00
Parochial Sunday School,	•	. •	•	•	•	-	•	_	25
Christmas Fund for Disable	d C	lergy	men,	•	-	•	•	5	00

#### Trinity Church, Constantia, Oswego county. [Vactod.]

[There is no report from this Parish.]

#### Zion Church, Fulton, Oswego county.

#### [Report made by the Warden.]

Since the first of January, 1841, after the weather became settled, we have had Lay-reading the most of the time. The Rev. Mr. McCarty has officiated for us one Sunday, and the Rev. Mr. Treadway two Sundays. The number of communicants is at this time seventeen. We have not been able to do anything toward finishing the Church this season.

### St. Luke's Church, Granby, Oscosgo county; the Rev. GEORGE B. Engle, Missionary.

Public services, (on Sundays 33, on other days 4,) total 37?
The Parish collections not made.

Church edifice in a state of progression; now covered and clap-boarded; and preparations making to forward the work as fast as possible, hoping that we may have it ready for consecration in November. The agent authorized by the Vestry to ask of the benevolent in the Diocese of New York and Western New York, assistance in building said Church, has acknowledged the receipt of three hundred and eighty-one dollars, for which expression of kindness on the part of our more favored friends, we acknowledge an obligation resting upon us of much gratitude; and we pray that their reward may be received at a Bountryul Hand.

### Christ Church, Oswego, Oswego county; the Rev. John McCarty, Rector.

Congregation: Families 65, (adults 250, children 175,) total 425; Baptisms, (infants) 12; Communicants, (admitted 9, received 1,) total 10; died 3; removed 2; present number about 95; Marriages 6; Burials 11; Public Services, (on Standays 83, on other days 6,) total 89; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 4, female 5,) total 9; Pupils, (male 35, female 45,) total 80.

#### The monthly collections have been made and apprepriated as follows:

Diocesan Missions,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	9	00
" Education,	•	•	•	-	•	<b>.</b>	•	•	4	00
Expenses of the Con-	ventic	m.	•	•	•	•	•	-	4	00
Bible and Prayer Boo	k Soc	riety.	•	•	•	•	•	•	5	90
Increase of the Episc	opate	Fun	d	•	-	•	•	•	3	07
Domestic Missions,	•	•	•	•	•	•	_	4	10	00
Perochial Objects,	•	-	_	•	-	٠.	•	•	25	00
Christmas Fund for D	isable	ed Cl	ory;	rmen,	•	•	•	•	8	00
									400	
									<b>768</b>	U

The above sum of \$25 for Parochial objects was contributed by the Ladies' Sewing Society for increasing the Parish library for books of instruction for the Sunday

<sup>\*</sup>See remarks under Grace Church, Baldwinsville, Onondaga county.

school, and for the library of the same. The interior of the Church is now being repaired and improved at an expense of about \$800. The Church has been opened twice every Sunday, except for four or five weeks on account of the sickness of the Rector; the same cause prevented the delivery of all but one of the Wednesday evening lectures during Lent. The children have not been catechised except in the Sunday school. There is in the Parish a Parish library, a Sunday School library, and a ladies' sewing society for benevolent objects.

Trinity Church, Seneca Falls, Seneca county; the Rev. CHARLES G. ACLY, Rector.

Congregation: Families 57, (adults 144, children 81,) total 225; Baptisms, (adults 5, infants 10,) total 15; Confirmed 17; Communicants, (admitted) 8; died 2; removed 6; present number 40; Marriage 1; Burials 4; Public Services, (on Sundays 103, on other days 9,) total 112; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 5, female 7,) total 12; Pupils, (male 20, female 30,) total 50.

Collections have been made and appropriated to

In addition to the number of services above mentioned, I have officiated six times at Montexuma; at East Cayuga about twenty times; and at West Cayuga six times—all on Sundays; at the latter place I continue to preach every other Sunday. Two hundred dollars of the sum collected for Parochial objects was appropriated to the liquidation of debts against the Church.

St. Paul's Church, Waterloo, Sensca county; the Rev. Eli Wheeler, Minister.

Congregations: Families about 70; Beptisms, (adults 3, infants 16,) total 19; Confirmed 13; Communicants, (admitted 11, received 1,) total 12; present number 58; Marriage 1; Burials in Waterloo 3, elsewhere 2, total 5; Public Services, (on Sundays 87, on other days 15,) total 102; Children catechised: number of times not remembered; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 4, female 10,) total 14; Pupils, (male 36, female 43,) total 79.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Bibles and Prayer Books,	•	-	-	•	5 00
Tract Society,	•	•	•	-	10 00
For General Fund for Church Objects,	•	•	•	•	19 35
Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen,	•	-	•	•	16 90
Parochial Objects,					
•					
					<b>906 95</b>

The Bible Class connected with the Sunday School, and numbering about forty members, has been well attended.

St. Thomas' Church, Bath, Steuben county; the Rev. Phinehas L. Whippler, Rector.

Congregation: Families 32, (adults 98, children 85,) total 183; Baptisms, (infants) 12; Communicants, (admitted 4, received 1,) total 5; died 1; present number 36; Marriages 2; Burials 6; Public Services, (on Sundays 88, on other days 10,) total 98;

Children catechised 25; number of times 32; Sunday school 1; Teachers, (male female 2,) total 3; Pupils 40.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

General Fund for Church Objects, Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, Parochial Objects, (exclusive of ordinary expenses,) -	-	<b>27</b> 56 6 00 <b>40</b> 00
		<b>8</b> 73 56

There has heretofore been reported as belonging to St Thomas' Church about twenty-five communicants, residing in the towns of Howard and Campbell, and their vicinities, but inasmuch as these do not attend the services in Bath, nor contribute any thing to its support, they do not properly belong to the Parish. In addition to my services in Bath, I have officiated twice in the town of Campbell, baptized two adults and three children, and admitted two to the communion; also once in Howard, twice in Cohocton, and once in Dansville, where I baptized three children, and administered the communion to a sick member of the Church who has since died. In connexion with the Sunday School, I have given thirty-two lessons to about twenty-five of the larger children in the catechism, with passages of scripture to be recited with each lesson; at the time of recitation I have given full explanation by familiar conversation, and I can truly say that I have never before adopted any plan of instruction which has so well kept up the interest of the children, and been apparently so useful.

## St. James' Church, Hammondsport, Steuben county. [There is no report from this Parish.]

St Mark's Church, Candor, Tioga county; the Rev. Lucius Carter, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 15, (adults 38, children 43,) 81; Communicants 17; Marriages 2; Public services, (on Sundays 42, on other days 4,) total 46; Sunday School, Pupils 15 to 20, Teachers 3.

Collections appropriated,

To General Fund, -	•	-	•	•	•	•	•	10 00
For Parochial Objects,	•	•	•	•	•	•	-	60 00
								920.00

This report embraces a period of ten months.

### St. John's Church, Richford, Tioga county. [There is no report from this Parish.]

## St. Paul's Church, Owego, Tioga county. [There is no report from this Parish.]

Christ Church, Danby, Tompkins county; the Rev. Lucius Carter, Missionary.

Congregation: Familes 20; Communicants, (removed) 2, present number 21; Public services, (on Sundays 40, on other days 8,) total 48.

Collections appropriated,

To General Fund for Christmas Collections,	rch	Obje	cts,	-	•	•	•	12 00 3 00
·								<b>\$15 00</b>

This report embraces a period of ten months.

#### Trinity Church, Hector, Tompkins county.

[There is no report from this Parish]

St. John's Church, Ithaca Tompkins county; the Rev. B. Judd, D. D., Rector.

Congregation: Families 40; Communicants 30; Baptisms 9; Marriages 5; Burials 5; Public services not known; Sunday Scholars 40; Teachers 6.

Zion Church, McLean, Tompkins county.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. John's Church, Clyde, Wayne county; the Rev. L. H. Corson, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 25, (adults 63, children 41,) total 104; Baptisms, (infants) 3; Communicants, (received) 2,) present number 17; Burial 1; Public Services, (on Sundays 26, on other days 1,) total 27; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 3, female 4,) total 7; Pupils, (male 17, female 22,) total 39.

Collections have been made and appropriated

For Parochial Objects, - - - - - - - 910 00

I took charge of this Church on the 21st of May last; and the above report embraces only that small part of the ecclesiastical year between that period and the present date. So far as zeal and kind feelings are concerned, the prospects of this little flock are encouraging; but it has a very inconvenient place of worship, and is too poor to undertake the building of a Church at present. For this cause, and the ignorance both of the Minister and people of the provisions of Canons of the Diocese, the monthly contributions, except for parochial purposes, have been neglected.

Zion Church, Palmyra, Wayne county; the Rev. T. S. BRITTAIN, Rector.

Congregation: Families 40, (adults 103, children 57,) total 162; Beptism, (infant) 1; Communicants, (received) 4; removed 7; present number 45; Marriages 3; Burials 9; Public Services, (on Sundays 106, on other days 17,) total 123; Children catechised 25; number of times 39; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 2, female 3,) total 5; Pupils, (male 10, female 20,) total 30.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missis	one,			-	-	•	•	•	13 50
Christmas Fund for Parochial Objects,	- Table	-	- Cieda	Ame	n, - -	-	-	-	38 50
• .									<b>A</b> 677 000

This Parish was vacant for some months till November last. The Rector catechises the children once a month in public, and every Friday evening at the rectory. Held divine service and preached every Wednesday and Friday morning in Lent, with four services and sermons in Passion Week.

### St. John's Church, Sodus, Wayne county; the Rev. Erastus Spalding, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 55, (adults 141, children 113,) total 254; Baptisms, (adult 1, infant 1,) total 2; Confirmed 6; Communicants, present number about 42; Marriage 1; Burial 1; Public Services, (on Sundays 25, on other days 3,) total 28.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

General Fund for Church Objects, -	-	-	•	•	2 74
Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen	. •	•	•	•	7 00
					<del></del>
					60 74

The above is something like a view of the state of the Parish when I left it, on Pebruary 4, 1841. They have since been and I believe still remain destitute of a settled minister. There is nothing that has come to my knowledge peculiarly discouraging in the prospects of the Church in this place, except a want of faithful and stated

ministrations of the gospel

Since the 4th of February last, your Missionary has performed services at Newark alternately with Vienna. At the first named place there is no organized Church and congregation. The prospects of the Church at this place, it is to be confessed, are not very flattering; still there are some faithful and true sons of the Church. There are here some six or eight communicants, and not to exceed eight or ten families who favor the Church by a regular attendance upon its ministrations. I have baptized here one child, and held twenty-five public services on Sundays—as service on other days. Our congregation here when services are held in our separate place of worship is not usually large, although when held in one of the meeting-houses is usually very respectable.

### Grace Church, Lyons, Wayne county; the Rev. Samuer Cooks, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 70, total number of individuals 250; Baptisms, (adults 3 infants 11,) total 13; Confirmed 12; Communicants: (admitted 6, received 1,) total added 7; died 1, removed 4, present number 51; Marriages 2; Burials 7; Public services, (on Sundays 72, on other days 31,) total 103; Children estechised, number of children 10, number of times 50; Sunday School 1: Teachers (male 3, female 10,) 13; Pupils, (male 30, female 60,) total 90.

The Monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

			_			-	
For Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	•	•	23 00	)
For Expenses of the Convention,	•	-	-	•	-	5 00	)
For Bibles and Prayer Books, -	•	•	•	•	•	6 00	)
For Tracts,	•	-	•	•	-	4 00	
For increase of the Episcopate Fund		•	•	•	-	5 00	
For General Fund for Church Object	is,	-	•	•	-	· 4 00	
For the Theological Seminary, -	•	•	•	•	-	6 00	
For Domestic Missions,	•	-	•	•	•	9 00	
For Foreign Missions,	•	•	•	•	•	10 00	
For Parochial Objects, including Fai	I,	•	•	•	• '	450 00	) "
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					1	<b>5</b> 518 <b>0</b> 0	)

Perhaps the Church at large has a right to know a little more of the concerns of this parish, than is furnished by the ordinary statistics. The Church was organized three years ago this month, by the present Missionary: at that time there were about twenty-five families that gave a partial support to the services. The number of communicants was 12. The Court room was occupied as a place of worship, for two years and a half. There are now 70 families connected with the Church. The communion has increased from 12 to 60, 8 of whom have since removed to other places, and one we trust to heaven. A specious stone Gothic Church has been completed, and furnished with a fine organ, at an expense of more than \$11,000, 2,000 of which was voted to us by the vestry of Trinity Church of New York. Nearly all the rest has been raised within the bounds of the parish. The Church is out of debt, with the exception of a small balance of from 3 to \$500, which will soon be provided for. "Except the Loap build the house, they labor in vain that build it."

St. Clement's Church. Weathersfield Springs, Wyoming county; the Rev. T. Meachem, Missionary.

Baptisms, (adults 3, infant 1,) 4; Burial 1; Confirmed 5; Communicants about 80; Senday School 1; Teachers, (male 3, female 5,) 8; Pupils (male 10, female 20,) 80; Preaching every fourth Sunday.

I do not know what sum has been appropriated.

This congregation continues to increase. The hope is indulged that, after another year, there will be preaching in this church every other Sunday.

St. Mark's Church, Penn' Yan, Yates county; the Rev. Benjamin W. Stone, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 41; Baptisms, (adults) 3; Communicants: (admitted 5, received 6,) total added 11; present number 45; Marriage 1; Burials 2; Sunday School 1; Teachers (male 5, female 9,) total 14; Pupils, (male 20, female 45,) total 65.

Owing to the present pecuniary state of the Parish, the sums collected have been appropriated to Parochial Objects, amounting to - - - \$30 30

The above report is for three months, commencing with the 1st of May, 1841, at which time the present Rector took charge of the Parish. A Bible Class for young ladies has been formed, and it is hoped that with the Divine blessing, it may prove an efficient means of promoting the spiritual interests of the Parish. Besides the regular services on Sundays, and taking charge of the Sunday School, I have officiated a third time in one of the neighboring villages of Benton Centre, Potter, Yatesville, Warsaw and Milo Centre. Large and attentive congregations have assembled at these places, and a spirit of inquiry has been excited with regard to our beloved Zion and her institutions, which may hereafter be attended with most happy results.

On the 1st May, I resigned my situation at Clyde, Wayne county, where I had officiated the preceding eight months. The Church was organized in this place under very promising anspices in September, 1840, and admitted into union with the Diocese of Western New York at the meeting of the last Convention. Previous to my going to Clyde, Bishop De Lancey held services there and baptized 9 children, and at a subsequent visit in Nov. he preached twice, and baptized at the request of the Missionary 1 adult, confirmed 8 persons, and administered the Communion. I baptiz-

ed 7 infants on the last Sunday I officiated.

#### MISSIONARY STATIONS NOT YET ADMITTED INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

Zion Church, Martville, Cayuga county; the Rev. George B. Engle, Missionary.

Communicants, (admitted 3, received 8,) 11; present number 11; Public Services, (on Sundays 33, on other days 3,) 36.

The services were in part performed before the Parish was organized, which took place on the 10th of May, 1841. On the 2d of August, 1841, the corner stone was laid of a Church to be built of cobble stones. The walls are expected to be completed in a few weeks. To finish the building some three or four hundred dellars will be required besides what is now on subscription.

### St. John's Church, Cape Vincent, Jefferson county; the Rev. N. WATKINS, Missionary.

Communicants, (admitted) 5; died 1; present number 19; Burial 1; Public Services, (on Sundays, 35, on other days 3,) total 33; Children catechised, 18; number of times 10; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (made 3, female 5,) total 8; Pupils, (male 13, female 19,) total 32.

A collection has been made,

For the Expenses of the Convention, - - - 22 00

My connection commenced with this Parish last Easter. You perceive by the report that the canonical collections have not been made; but I trust you will not attribute it to remissness in me in this important duty. The fact is, the Parish here is entirely new, and by no means rich. Moreover we have no place to hold divine service in but a small inconvenient school house, and that only half the time; therefore our friends here are making great exertions to erect a Church edifice for themselves, which will, by God's blessing, be finished by the last of September next. The Parish has contributed to this object the present year nearly seventeen hundred dollars, yet we cannot complete it without appealing to the liberality of churchmen abroad. I trust another year we shall do better.

### Missionary Station, Niagara Falls and Tonawanda, Niagara county; the Rev. George S. Porter, Missionary.

Congregations: total number of individuals in each, about 70; Baptisms, (2 at the Falls and 2 at Tonawanda,) total 4; Confirmed, (1 at Tonawanda and 2 at the Falls,) total 3; Communicants, (admitted 1, received 2,) total 3; removed 2; present number at Tonawanda 2 or 3, at the Falls 9; Marriages at the Falls 3; Burials at the Falls 2; Public Services, (on Sundays 50, on other days 8,) total 59; one service only could be held at Tonawanda, the house being used otherwise.

The monthly collections have been made partially and appropriated as follows, vix:

Diocesan Missions,	•	-	-	<del>-</del>	-	•	16 50
Bibles and Prayer Books, -	-	-	•	•	•	-	1 50
Christmas Fund for Disabled	Clerg	ymei	1, -	-	-	-	4 00
							<b>\$</b> 22 00

We are under obligation for two dozen Prayer Books from Dr. Shelton, applied to use. Under the disadvantage of a school I have pursued my labors for the past year. My services, which have been confined almost to Sundays, have been equally apportioned between the two places, the Falls and Tonawanda, either successive Lord's day at each, or else the forenoon at the former, and the afternoon at the latter, availing myself of the rail road to pass between. The number of attendants at each place has, on the whole, been respectable; and were there a few decided Churchmen it would be quite practicable to organize parishes at each. Of those who like the Church there are many; of those who know and are willing to stand by the principles of Churchmanship, there are too few; and this constitutes the grand difficulty to immediate successful operation. It is sufficiently important to the Church to have the services continued at these places. A large number of visitors often wish to attend at the Falls our worship; and Tonawanda has prospects of increase, and is mostly unoccupied ground. With the exception of the services of the Bishop, I have had no assistance but Rev. Mr. Woodward, of Connecticut, one Sunday when ill. I have lost one Sunday beside, from sickness, and also last winter two or three at Tonawanda for bad weather, and one at Fredonia where I was called by my business, and preached one Sunday, and one also in Westfield. I dare say nothing yet on making this a permanent station. I have no objection while it is continued, at present at least, to act as the Missionary; but should the stipend be withdrawn, I shall abandon my location, as it is for the Church I regard myself as chiefly under obligations to labor.

Bible Class, Sunday School, and Ladies' Sewing Society impracticable here, for want of more decided interest for the character.

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Christ Church, Jordan, Onondaga county; and Montezuma, Cayuga county; the Rev. Isaac Swart, Missionary.

Jordan.—Communicants: (admitted 1, received 18,) total 19; d'ed 1, present number 18; Burial 1; Public services (on Sandays 14, on other days 1,) total 15; Children catechised 10 times.

Collections have been made,

For the Education and Missionary Fund, - - - \$1 04

Montezuma.—Communicants: present number 12; Baptisms (infant) 1; Public services, (on Sundays 7, on other days 1,) total 8; Sunday School 1; Teachers 4; Pupils 28; Children catechised 3 times.

Collections have been made and appropriated

For Missionary and Education Fund, - - - \$2 73

The Missionary of this station entered upon his duties the 20th of April. With the exception of a few services, Jordan is new ground. There has been a due degree of interest manifested for our success in this place; and we are to look to the Lord of the harvest for an increase of this. Montezuma has enjoyed occasional services for a greater or less period, for a number of years. A Bible Class has been established in both places; at Montezuma it meets every other week, at Jordan every week. Besides the above services, I have officiated once in Elbridge, and twice in different places in the town of Cato.

Report of the Rev. G. D. GILLESPIE, late Missionary at Salina, Onondaga county.

Public services, (on Sundays 39, on other days 2,) total 41.

The Missionary has continued to hold services at Salina for a portion of the time, in a School House, and latterly in the Presbyterian Meeting House; these have been generally well attended, but after diligent inquiry, he has not been able to find but six individuals professing attachment to the Church; the rest of the congregation is composed of persons belonging to some other religious body, or without attachment to any, and who are therefore without interest in our communion. In addition to the small number of Episcopalians, the situation of the village is in other respects unfavorable to the establishment of the Church at the present time. The only Communicant in the place removed soon after the Missionary commenced his services.

The Bishop has received Reports from the following Clergymen of the Diocese, not having a Parochial Cure, viz:

The Rev. Benj. Hale, D. D., residing at Geneva, President of Geneva College.

" "DAVID HUNTINGTON, residing at Guilford, Chenango county.
" JOHN C. RUDD, D. D., Professor of Moral Science, and of the Evidences of Christianity in Hobart Hall, Holland Patent, and Editor of the Gospel Messenger and Church Record of Western New York, Utica, Oneida county.

The Rev. Gershom P. Waldo, Deacon, Principal of a School at Portageville,

Alleghany county.

Utica. Oneida county.

The Rev. Amos C. TREADWAY, residing at Oswego.

" JAMES KEELER, residing at Harpersville, Broome county.
" MARCUS A. PERRY, Principal of the Classical and Commercial Lyceum.

The Rev. George Norton, residing at Richmond, Ontario county.

" " Amos G. Baldwin, residing at Auburn, Cayuga county.

# APPENDIX,

### No. II.

### THE SECOND EVENING PRAYER,

Appointed agreeably to the Canons, to be used in any congregation of this Diocese in which the order for Daily Evening Prayer has been previously used on the same day, is as follows:

The order for Daily Evening Prayer is to be followed to the end of the Psalms for the day, or selection of Psalms and Doxology; and then the following order:—

A Lesson from the Old or New Testament, at the discretion of the Minister.

Either of the four Psalms appointed to follow the Lessons at Evening Prayer.

The Creed and the following Versicles and Responses.

The Collect for the Day.

The Collect for aid against Perils. .

The Prayer for the whole State of Christ's Church Militant in the Communion Service.

Any of the Occasional Prayers or Thankegivings as occasion may require.

The Prayer of St. Chrysostom.

The Final Prayer—2 Corinthians, xiii. 14.

It is proper to use the above form only when the order for Daily Evening Prayer has been previously used in the Congregation on the same day.

WILLIAM H. DE LANCEY,
Bishop of the Diocese of Western New York.

# APPENDIX,

No. III.

### A FORM OF PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING:

To be used in the Diocese of Western New York, on days of Thanksgiving, appointed by the civil authority.

In conformity with the 47th Canon of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, of 1832, empowering the Bishop of each Diocese to "compose forms of Prayer or Thanksgiving, for extraordinary occasions, and transmit them to each Clergyman within his Diocese, whose duty it shall be to use such forms in his Church on such occasions," I do hereby set forth the following Form of Prayer and Thanksgiving, to be used in the Congregations of the Diocese of Western New York, on any day recommended by the civil authority, as a day of public Thanksgiving and Praise to Almighty God; unless some other form should be by me specially set forth.

WILLIAM H. DE LANCEY, Bishop of the Discess of Western New York.

GENEVA, August 18, 1841.

### A FORM OF PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING.

The service shall be the same as that prescribed by the Church, in the "Form of Prayer and Thanksgiving to Almighty God, for the fruits of the earth, and all the other blessings of his merciful Providence, to be used yearly, on the first Thursday in November, or on such other day as shall be appointed by the civil authority;" except that the tenth Selection of Psalms shall be used at Morning Prayer; and in addition to the Thanksgiving appointed in said service, to be used after the General Thanksgiving, shall be said, at Morning and Evening Prayer, the following:

O God, who art the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords; the Almighty Ruler of nations; we adore and magnify thy glorious name for all the great things which thou hast done for us. We render thee thanks for the goodly heritage which thou hast given us; for the civil and religious privileges which we enjoy; and for the multiplied manifestations of thy favor toward us, and the land wherein we dwell. Grant that we may show forth our thankfulness for these thy mercies, by living in reverence of thy Almighty power and dominion, in humble reliance on thy goodness and mercy, and in holy obedience to thy righteous laws. Preserve, we

beseech thee, to our country the blessing of peace; restore it to nations deprived of its enjoyment; and secure it to all the people of the earth. May the kingdom of the Prince of Peace come; and may His Holy Spirit so reign in the hearts and lives of men, and unite them in holy fellowship, that their only strife may be, who shall show forth, with most humble and holy fervor, the praises of him who hath loved them, and made them kings and priests unto God. We implore thy blessing on all persons in our country who are clothed with legislative, judicial, or executive authority, that they may have grace, wisdom, and understanding, so to discharge their respective duties as most effectually to promote thy glory, the interests of true religion and virtue, and the peace, good order, and welfare of this State and Nation. Continue, O Lord, graciously to favor all our institutions for the promotion of sound learning, for the diffusion of virtuous education, and for the advancement of Christian truth, and of the purity and prosperity of thy Church. Change, we beseech thee, every evil heart of unbelief; and shed the quickening influences of thy Holy Spirit on all the people of this land. Save us from the guilt of abusing the blessings of prosperity to luxury and licentiousness, to irreligion and vice; lest we provoke thee, in just judgment, to visit our offences with a rod, and our sins with scourges. Make us a nation fearing God and And while thy unmerited goodness to us, 0 working righteousness. God of our salvation, leads us to repentance, may we offer ourselves, our souls and bodies, a living sacrifice to thee, who hast preserved and redeemed us, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour; whom we acknowledge as the source of all our national and social blessings; on whose merits and mediation alone we humbly rely for the forgiveness of our sins, and the acceptance of our services; and who liveth and reigneth with the FATHER and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

### T After the Collect for the day, in the Communion service, the following:

O Almighty God, who hast never failed those who put their trust in thee, and dost honor the people who honor thee; imprint on our hearts, we beseech thee, a deep and habitual sense of the great truth, that the only security for the continuance of the blessings which we enjoy, consists in our acknowledgment of thy sovereign and gracious Providence, and in humble and holy submission to the Gospel of thy Son Jesus Christ: to whom all power is given in heaven and in earth, and who is one with the Father and the Holy Ghost, in the eternal Godhead, our Mediator and Redeemer. Amen.

At Evening Prayer the same order shall apply with regard to the introductory sentences as is set forth for Morning Prayer in the form of "Prayer and Thanksgiving" aforesaid; the ninth Selection of Psalms shall be used: and the first Lesson shall be Deut. x. 12: and the second Lesson Romans xii: and the Collects for the day as in the morning.

# APPENDIX,

### No. 1V.

# MISSIONARY APPOINTMENTS FOR WESTERN NEW YORK,

### FOR THE YEAR COMMENCING OCTOBER 1st, 1841,

[With the amounts due October 1st, 1841, and January 1st, 1842.]

			Due	√Due
Counties.	STATIONS.	Missionaries.	Oct. 1,	
A 34	A 4. A.		1841.	1842.
		.Rev. Lewis Thibou jun-	\$31.25	\$15.63
66	Hunt's Hollow, Portage	! <del>-</del>		
66	ville, and Nunda	.Rev. Henry S. Attwater	20.82	31.25
Broome	Harpersville* & Wind	ļ <b>-</b>	1	
66	sor	Rev. James O. Stokes	31.25	15.63
Cattaraugus	Ellicottville	Rev. Thomas Morris	31.25	31.25
66	Olean	Rev. Humphrey Hollis.	31.25	31.25
Cayuga	Moravia and Aurora	Rev. B. Northrop	31.25	31.25
"	Montezuma, and Jordan	n	}	
66	•	Rev. Isaac Swart	31.25	31.25
Chemung			B .	
"	Big Flatts and Corning			
"		Rev. Richard Smith	31.25	31.25
Chenango	Guilford and Moun		ŀ	
66	Upton	.Rev. A. Griswold	31.25	31.25
66	_	.Rev. L. A. Barrows	ı	15.63
<b>e</b> c		. Rev. Thomas Towell		15.63
Chautauque		eRev. Lucius Smith		15.63
« ·		nRev. N. Huse	1	vacant
Erie	Aurora, Wales, & Shel			,
66		y	vacant	
Genesee	Weathersfield, & Allen			
66		Rev. Thomas Meachem	31.25	31.25
46		Rev. I Homas Meachem	!	
-•	Stitution	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	vacant	l

### APPENDIX.

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Counties.	Stations.	Missionaries.	Due Oct. 1, 1841.	Due 1, 1842.
Jefferson	Sacketts Harbor	Rev. John Noble		
66		Rev. N. Watkins	B .	
66	_	Rev. F. Rogers		
66		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	1	7
Livingston.	•	Rev. S. G. Appleton	1	
66		Rev. C. D. Cooper	<b>.</b>	1
Lewis	.The whole county.	_	vacant	
Madison	.Waterville & Orisk	any		
66	Falls	Rev. F. C. Brown	31.25	31.25
66	Perryville and Ca	rze-	31.25	31.25
"	novia	Rev. W. M. Weber	31.25	15.63
Monroe	.Brockport & Clarks	on. Rev. T. R. Chipman	31.25	31.25
ce .	Honeoye Falls & Sco	_		
66	ville	Rev. N. F. Bruce	31.25	31.25
Niagara	Lewiston and You	i		
"	town	Rev. Rufus Murray	31.25	15.63
46	Niagara Falls & To	ona-		
44	wanda	Rev. George S. Porter	31.25	vacant
46	•	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		
Oneida	Bridgewater, and pe	arts		
44	adjacent	Rev. James Sunderland	31.25	31.25
<b>66</b>	Holland Patente			
66	Oriskany <sup>*</sup>	Rev. Stephen McHugh.	31.25	15.63
a	Rome*	Rev. Henry Lockwood.	31.25	15.63
Onondaga.	Fayetteville	Rev. S. M. Bartlett,	31.25	31.25
66	Marcellus	Rev. T. J. Ruger	31.25	31.25
ec .	Liverpool & Geddes	Rev. S. Goodale	20.82	31.25
66	<del>-</del>	le .Rev. S. C. Millett		31.25
Ontario	Centrefield and H	East	•	
66	Bloomfield	Rev. W. W. Hickox	20.82	vacant
66	Vienna, and News	ark,		
66	Wayne county	Rev. E. Spalding	31.25	31.25
Orleans	· ·	Rev. S. Douglass		
Oswego	Granby, Fulton, M	art-		
66	ville & Baldwinsvil	lle. Rev. G. B. Engle	31.25	31.25
Steuben	Hammondsport* an	đ		i I
	Wayne	Rev. W. W. Bostwick.	31.25	15.63
		dRev. A. Louderback		31.25
	Catharine & Millpor	tRev. M. A. Nickerson.	31.25	31.25
* **	South Danby, & Can	<b>1</b>	l	
ćć.	Tiega county	Rev. Lucius Carter	31.25	31.25

Counties.	Stations.	Missionari	ES.	Oct. 1, 1841.	Jan. 1, 1842.
Wayne	Lyons* R	ev. Samuel	Cooke	\$31.25	\$15.63
66	ClydeR	ev. L. H. C	orson	31.25	31.25
66	Gadaa Gadaa Data aad			ł	•
66	Palneyville		• • • • • • •	vacant	
Yates	Penn YanR	ev. B. W. S	tone	31.25	31.25

#### NOTES.

- \*Half Stipend Parishes whose Missionaries will draw quarterly for \$15 63, on or after January 1st, 1842.
  - 1. Several changes have occurred in the list since the meeting of the Convention.
- 2. This list of Stations and Missionaries is for the year beginning October 1, 1841, and ending October 1st, 1842.
- 3. For the quarterly stipend due Oct. 1, 1841, and subsequently, the Missionaries will draw on Charles Seymour, Esq., Canandaigua, Ontario county, Western New York.
  - 4. No drafts are paid in advance.
  - 5. No drafts are payable, except for services actually rendered.

# APPENDIX,

No. V.

## CHURCHES ADMITTED INTO UNION AT THIS CONVENTION.

Oneida	county	Waterville	Grace.
Oswego	county	Granby	St. Luke's,
Steuben	county	Corning	Christ

# APPENDIX,

### No. VI.

### A LIST OF CHURCHES IN THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW YORK,

# With the amounts remitted to the Treasurer by each,

### FOR CHURCH OBJECTS,

From October 1st, 1840, to August 19, 1841.

COUNTIES.	PLACES. Angelica	CHURCHES.	COLLECTIONS.
Alleghany	.Angelica	St. Paul's	<b>\$50 73</b> °
46	Hunt's Hollow	St. Mark's	14 20
	. Binghampton		
4	Harpersville	St. Luke's	17 50
Cattaraugus	. Ellicottville	St. John's	15 00
64	Olean	.St. Stephen's	17 50
Cavuga	-Auburn	St. Peter's	41 50
4	Aurora	St. Paul's	8 00
66	Moravia		
Chautauque	Forrestville		
4	Fredonia	Trinity	28 00
44	Jamestown	St. Luke's	[No collection
44	Mayville	St. Paul's	8 00
46	Westfield	St. Peter's	2 00
Chemung	Rig Flatta	St. Paul's	[No collection.
4	Big Flatts Elmira Jefferson	Trinity	55 00
u	Iaffarran	St James	[No collection
4	Catharine	St John's	[No collection
Chenengo	Bainbridge	St. Potos's	40 90
Cucuango			
44	Guilford	. A fillity	
66			
44	Greene	.Z1011	35 78
44	Mount Upton New Berlin	GA A January	TAO COHECTION.
44	Norwich	.Emanuel	8 00

COUNTIES.	PLACES.	CHUROHRS.	COLLECTIONS,
Chenango	Oxford	St. Paul's	88 38
46	Sherburne	.Christ	12 00
Cortland	Homer	Calvary	[No collection.
Erie	Auroraville	St. Paul's	46 66
66	Buffalo		
u	Buffalo	Trinity	108 00
Genesee	Batavia	St. James'	101 91
	Le Roy		
	Brownville		
	Dexter		
	Pierrepont Manor Sacketts Harbor		W 77 77
- <del>-</del>	Waterlown	······································	1, 10
Towie	Lowville	Trinity	5 90
Temin	Turin	St Panl's with	. 1
4	L WITH	St. Paul's Chang	( [No
*		St. Paul's Chape at Constableville	[collection.
Livingston	Dansville	St. Peter's	[No collection.
W Tringston.		St. Michael's	
	Mount Morris		
44	West Avon		
Madison	Hamilton	.St. Thomas'	[No collection.
4	Perryville	.St. Stephen's	9 00
Monroe	Brockport	.St. Luke's	25 50
66	Honeoye Falls	St. John's	[No collection.
66	Penfield	Trinity	- 44
66	Rochester	St. Luke's	282 50
66	"	Grace	76 18
Niagara	Lewiston	St. Paul's	14 50
*	Lockport		
44		Christ	
<b>u</b>	Royalton	St. Luke's	[No collection.
	Bridgewater	Christ	2 00
66	Holland Patent		
	New Hartford	Stephen's	85 75
44	Oriskany	St. Peter's	5 00
	Paris		
44	Rome		
66	Utica		
4	W-4	Trinity	181 OU
,	Waterville	Grace	0 UU
Unondaga	Baldwinsville	Trinit-	07 00
<b>66</b>	FayettevilleGeddes	A poetalia	FNo collection
44			
***	Jamesville	VIELE 5,	<b>3 3</b> 0

COUNTIES.	PLACES.	CHUBCHES.	COL	LECTIONS.
Onondaga	Liverpool	Ascension	•••••••••••	. 6 29
"	Manlius	Christ	•••••	. 57 00
44	Marcellus	St. John's		. 14 00
66	Onondaga			
44	Pompey	Christ	**********	. 4 90
46	Skaneateles	St. James'		. 20 00
66	Syracuse	St. Paul's	•••••••	. 130 56
Onterio	· Canandaigua	St. John's		. 97 78
44	Centrefield	Trinity		. 15 00
44	East Bloomfield	Zion		7 00
66	Geneva	Trinity		405 00
66	Richmond	St Poul's	• • • • • • • • • • • • •	19 50
66	Vienna			
	. Medina			
Orienda		Dl. John 8, Mainian	r NI a	allection
Dswego	ConstantiaFultonGranby	I ribity	[140 C	onection.
••	ruiton	Zion	"	"
66	Grandy	St. Luke's	••	
66	Oswego	Christ		80 07
Seneca	OswegoSeneca Falis	Trinity	[No c	ollection.
66	Waterloo	St. Paul's	•••••	. 34 35
Steuben	. Bath	St. Thomas'	••••	. 27 66
44	Hammondsport	St. James'	•••••••	. 375
<b>44</b>	Corning	Christ		. 4 25
Tioga	.Candor	St. Mark's	••••••	. 10 00
46	Richford	St. John's	[No c	ollection.
44	Owego	St. Paul's	- 44	46
Tompkins	.Danby			. 9 00
•	Hector	Trinity	[No c	collection.
46	HectorIthaca	.St. John's	<b>-</b> 4	66
66	McLean		66	66
Wayne	.Clyde		. 64	46
46	Lyons	Grace		72 00
44	Palmyra	Zion		18 50
66	Sodus	St. John's.		10 12
Wyoming	.Weathersfield	St Clement's	No of	ollection
or Joining	Sheldon		[110 0	e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e
Vetes	Penn Yan		66	46 .
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	ns have also been rece	sived from the ic	MATOR	
	Stations, viz :			K KA
wiekare	.Niagara Falls	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		. 5 60
	Tonawanda	•••••••	•••••••	. 125
Opondaga	.Salina		•••••••	. 81
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N. B. The several objects to which the above sums were applied, are noted in their respective columns in the table of Parochial statistics.

# APPENDIX,

#### No. VII.

### COMMITTEES OF THE CONVENTION.

### STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev.	John C. Rudd, D. D.	Messrs.	William C. Pierrepont,
44	Benjamin Hale, D. D.		Thomas H. Hubbard,
44	William Shelton, D. D.	66	Robert C. Nicholas,
66	Kendrick Metcalf,	"	Vincent Matthews.

### DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D. Messrs. Charles H. Carroll,
"Pierre A. Proal, D. D. "Jonas Earll, Jun.
"William Shelton, D. D. "Chester Griswold,
"Lucius Smith, "George B. Webster.

# TRUSTEES OF THE FUND FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE EPISCOPATE.

Messrs. Alexander B. Johnson, Messrs. Hiram Denio,
"Gary V. Sackett, "John E. Hinman,
Mr. Thomas H. Rochester.

# TRUSTEES OF THE CHRISTMAS FUND FOR DISABLED CLERGYMEN.

Mr. Joseph G. Swift, Mr. Thomas H. Hubbard, Mr. James Reese.

# TRUSTEE OF THE PERMANENT MISSIONARY FUNDS OF THE DIOCESE.

Nathan B. Kidder. Esq.

### SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

### ON PROVIDING A RECORD

FOR THE OFFICIAL ACTS OF THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.

[See page 43.]

Messrs. Washington Hunt, Rev. Ebenezer H. Cressey, Robert C. Nicholas,

### ON PROVIDING A RESIDENCE

FOR THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.

[See page 50.]

Rev. William Shelton, D. D. Messrs. Charles Seymour, P. P. Irving,

" Rutger B. Miller,

Mr. W. S. De Zeng.

### OFFICERS OF THE CONVENTION.

Bishop of the Diocese, and President of the Convention. Rt. Rev. W. H. DE LANCEY, D. D., Geneva.

Secretary of the Convention,

Rev. P. A. PROAL, D. D., Utica.

Assistant Secretary,

Rev. WILLIAM E. EIGENBRODT, Bainbridge.

Treasurer of the Convention,

CHARLES SEYMOUR, Esq., Canandaigua.

Treasurer of the Christmas Fund,

JAMES REESE, Esq., Geneva.

# EDUCATION AND MISSIONARY BOARD OF THE DIOCESE.

Right Rev. WILLIAM H. DE LANCEY, D. D., President, Geneva.

Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D.,

Utica.

Messrs. WILLIAM C. PIERREPONT, Pierrepont Manor.

BENJAMIN HALE, D. D., Geneva.

THOMAS H. HUBBARD, Utica.

WILLIAM SHELTON, D. D.,

ROBERT C. NICHOLAS, " Geneva.

Buffalo. KENDRICK METCALF, Le Roy.

" VINCENT MATTHEWS, Rochester.

# APPENDIX,

### No. VIII.

# SUMMARY.

CLERGYMEN canonically resi 88 Presbyters, 8 Deacons			he Die	ocese :	: 1 E	lishop,	97
CLERGYMEN officiating in the			but no	t yet	- canor	ically	31
transferred,	•	<b>-</b> '	•	-	•		3
		_	A	_			<b>—100</b>
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Page 6, add to the list of Clergy after the line 31, the name of the Rev. Mr. Goodale, Missionary at Geddes and Liverpool, Onondaga county.

Page 6, line 33, for 99 read 100.

Page 19, line 21, for Ogilvie, read Ogilby.

Page 24, line 20, for Altua read Attica.

Page 45, line 19, dela D. D. after Smith

Page 45, line 23, for J. C. Rudd read J. C. Rudd, D. D.

Page 46, line 15, for H. Metcalf, chairman, read K. Metcalf.

Page 27, line 36, for Mentville, Cayuga county, read Martville, Oswego county.

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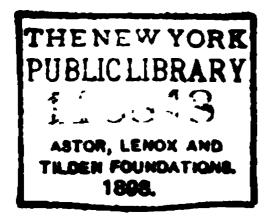
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### FORM OF THE CERTIFICATE TO BE GIVEN TO LAY DEPUTIES.

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED, That at a meeting of the Vestry of Church, in , beld in the County of on the day of 184 , Mr. was duly elected a Lay-Deputy to the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western New York, to be held in next; and that the said Deputy is entitled to day of vote for Wardens and Vestrymen in the said Church. Dated this 184 . day of

Rector.

Clerk of the Vestry.

N. B. If more than one Deputy be chosen, a certificate in the above form may be given to each, or the names of all may be included in one certificate, varying the language accordingly.

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August 17th, 1842.

- THE Right Rev. William Heathcote De Lancey, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese.
- Rev. Charles G. Acly, Rector of Trinity Church, Seneca Falls, Seneca county.
  - 44, William Allanson, in the service of the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church.
  - Edward Andrews, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Binghamton, Broome county.
  - Samuel G. Appleton, Missionary at West Avon, Livingston county.
  - Henry S. Attwater, Missionary at Hunt's Hollow, Portageville, and Nunda, Alleghany county.
  - Amos G. Baldwin, residing at Auburn.
  - Liberty A. Barrows, Missionary at Sherburne, Chenango county.
  - Josiah M. Bartlett, Missionary at Pierrepont Manor, Jefferson county.
  - Stephen H. Battin, Deacon, Missionary at Rome, Oneida county.
  - John Bayley.
  - James A. Bolles, Rector of St. James' Church, Batavia, Genesee county.
  - Edward Bourns, Deacon, Adjunct Professor of Languages, Geneva College, Geneva, Ontario county.
  - William W. Bostwick.

- Rev. \*Fortune C. Brown, Missionary at Waterville and Bridgewater, Oneida county.
  - "Nathaniel F. Bruce, M. D., Missionary at Dansville, Livingston county, Hornellsville, Steuben county, and Philipsville and Cuba, Alleghany county.
  - " Nathan B. Burgess, residing at Bridgewater, Oneida county.
  - " Leverett Bush, D. D., residing at Oxford, Chenango county.
  - " Lucius Carter, Missionary at South Danby, Tompkins county, and Candor, Tioga county.
  - "Tapping R. Chipman, Missionary at Centrefield and East Bloomfield, Ontario county.
  - "John W. Clark, Deacon, Missionary at Sodus, Sodus Point, and Pultneyville, Wayne county.
  - " Joseph T. Clark, Rector of St. James' Church, Skaneateles, Onondaga county.
  - " Phileman E. Coe, Deacon, Missionary at Hammondsport, and parts adjacent, Steuben county.
  - Samuel Cooke, Missionary at Lyons, Wayne county.
  - " Charles D. Cooper, Missionary at Mount Morris, Livingston county.
  - " Levi H. Corson, Missionary at Clyde, Wayne county.
  - " Ebenezer H. Cressey.
  - "William Croswell, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Auburn, Cayuga county.
  - " Seth Davis, Rector of Christ Church, Manlius, Onondaga county.
  - 64 Stephen Douglass, Missionary at Medina, Orleans county.
  - "William E. Eigenbrodt, Rector of Grace Church, Rochester.
  - " Edmund Embury.
  - "George B. Engle, in the service of the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions.
- "John F. Ernst, Deacon, Principal of an Academy, Batavia, Genesee county.
- " David M. Fackler, Missionary at Norwich, Chenango county.
- " John F. Fish, Rector of Trinity Church, Watertown, Jefferson county.
- " Erastus B. Foote, Rector of Calvary Church, Homer, Cortland county.
- " Isaac Garvin, residing at Aurora, Erie county.
- "John D. Gilbert, residing at Painted Post, Steuben county.
- "George D. Gillespie, Deacon, Minister of St. Mark's Church, Le Roy, Genesee county.
- "Samuel Goodale, Missionary at Geddes and Liverpool, Onondaga county.
- "Henry Gregory, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, Onondaga county.
- " Asa Griswold, Deacon.
- "Benjamin Hale, D. D., President of Geneva College, Geneva, Ontario county.
- " Cicero S. Hawks, Rector of Trinity Church, Buffalo.

<sup>\*</sup> Those marked thus (\*) have been ordained Priests since the rising of the Convention.

- "William W. Hickox, Missionary at Fayetteville and Pompey, Onon-daga county.
- Rev. Origen P. Holcomb, Rector of Christ Church, Lockport, Niagara county.
  - Humphrey Hollis, Missionary at Mayville and parts adjacent, Chautauque county.
  - "Andrew Hull, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, New Berlin, Chenango county.
  - " David Huntington, residing at Harpersville, Broome county.
  - Wathaniel Huse, residing at Westfield, Chautauque county.
  - Edward Ingersoll, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Geneseo, Livingston county
  - " Pierre P. Irving, Rector of Trinity Church, Geneva, Ontario county.
  - Bethel Judd, D. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Ithaca, Tompkins county.
  - James Keeler, residing at Harpersville, Broome county.
  - 66 T. M. Leavenworth.
  - 4 Henry Lockwood, Missionary at Honeoye Falls, Monroe county.
  - Alfred Louderback, Missionary at Owego, Tioga county.
  - John McCarty, Rector of Christ Church, Oswego, Oswego county.
  - Stephen McHugh, Principal of the De Lancey Institute, and Missionary at Hampton and Oriskany, Oneida county.
  - Thomas Meachem, Missionary at Richmond, Ontario county, and Weathersfield Springs, Genesee county.
  - Kendrick Metcalf, Rector of Trinity Church, Elmira, Chemung county.
  - stephen C. Millett, Missionary at Stafford, Genesee county.
  - Thomas Morris, Missionary at Ellicottville, Cattaraugus county.
  - Rufus Murray, Missionary at Lewiston and Youngstown, Niagara county.
  - Major A. Nickerson, Deacon, Missionary at Catharines, Havanna and Jefferson, Chemung county.
  - 64 John Noble.
  - Beardsley Northrop, Missionary at Moravia and Genoa, Cayuga county.
  - George H. Norton, residing at Richmond.
  - William P. Page.
  - Albert C. Patterson, Rector of Grace Church, Utica.
  - 44 Henry Peck, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Paris Hill, Oneida county.
  - Marcus A. Perry, Principal of Hobart Hall, and Missionary at Holland Patent, Oneida county.
  - George S. Porter, residing near Fredonia, Chautauque county.
  - Augustine P. Prevost, Rector of St. John's Church, Canandaigua, Ontario county.
  - es Pierre A. Proal, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Utica.
  - Ferdinand Rogers, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Brownville, and Missionary at Dexter, Jefferson county.

- Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D., Professor of Moral Science, and of the Evidences of Christianity in Hobart Hall, Holland Patent, and in the De Lancey Institute at Hampton; and Editor of the Gospel Messenger and Church Record of Western New York, Utica.
  - " Thomas J. Ruger, Missionary at Marcellus, Onondaga county.
  - "William Shelton, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Buffalo.
  - " Lucius Smith, Missionary at Fredonia and Forrestville, Chautauque county.
  - "Richard Smith, Missionary at Corning, Steuben county.
  - " Erastus Spalding, Missionary at Vienna, Ontario county.
  - " James O. Stokes, Missionary at Harpersville, Broome county.
  - "Benjamin W. Stone, Missionary at Penn Yan, Yates county.
  - Charles B. Stout, Missionary, Westfield, Chautauque county.
  - " James Sunderland, Principal of a private school, Utica.
  - "Isaac Swart, Missionary at Montezuma, Cayuga county, and Jordan, Onondaga county.
  - " Lewis Thibou, jr., Missionary at Angelica, Alleghany county.
  - " Charles J. Todd, officiating at Brockport, Clarkson, and Kendall, Monroe county.
  - "Thomas Towell, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Oxford, Chenango county.
  - 44 Amos C. Treadway, Missionary at Fulton, and West Granby, Oswego county.
  - "John V. Van Ingen, Rector of Zion Church, Greene, Chenango county.
  - Washington Van Zandt, residing at Seneca Falls, Seneca county.
  - Gershom P. Waldo, Deacon, Principal of a School at Portageville, Alleghany county.
  - "Nathaniel Watkins, Missionary at Cape Vincent, Jefferson county.
  - "William M. Weber, M. D., Missionary at Perryville, Madison county.
  - " Eli Wheeler, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Waterloo, Seneca county.
  - " Russel Wheeler.
  - "Phinehas L. Whipple, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Bath, Steuben county.
  - "Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Rochester.
  - "Hobart Williams, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, Oneida county.
  - " Lloyd Windsor, Rector of Grace Church, Lockport, Niagara county.

The following Clergyman has been admitted since the rising of the Convention:

Rev. Edward D. Kennicott, Deacon, Missionary at Camden and parts adjacent, Oneida county.

Total—Clergy 104.

### LIST OF THE CLERGY WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

#### BISHOP.

# Right Rev. WILLIAM HEATHCOTE DE LANCEY, D. D.

### PRESBYTERS.

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Edward Andrews, D. D.,

Samuel G. Appleton,

Liberty A. Barrows,

Josiah M. Bartlett,

" James A. Bolles,

Tapping R. Chipman,

Joseph T. Clark,

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11 Edward Ingersoll,

Pierre P. Irving,

Henry Lockwood, "

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Lloyd Windsor. "

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Fortune C. Brown,

John W. Clark,

"

Philemon E. Coe,

Rev. George D. Gillespie,
"Samuel Goodale,
"Major A. Nickerson,

Clergy—61.

### LIST OF LAY DEPUTIES WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

### CAYUGA COUNTY-

AUBURN—St. Peter's Church, George B. Throop, S. A. Goodwin.

Moravia-St. Mathew's Church, William Wade.

### CHEMUNG COUNTY-

ELMIRA—Trinity Church, Harvey Luce. CATHARINES—St. John's Church, Noble J. Stuart.

### CHENANGO COUNTY-

GREENE—Zion Church, Joseph Juliand, Robert Monell. SHERBURNE—Christ Church, Oliver Bates, Thomas Kershaw.

### ERIE COUNTY-

Buffalo—St. Paul's Church, Geo. B. Webster.
"Trinity Church, J. Radcliff.

#### GENESEE COUNTY-

BATAVIA—St. James' Church, John S. Ganson, Wm. Dewey. Le Roy—St. Mark's Church, Julius A. Perkins.

### JEFFERSON COUNTY-

PIERREPONT MANOR—Zion Church, William C. Pierrepont. WATERTOWN—Trinity Church, A. Tubbs.

### LIVINGSTON COUNTY—

GENESEO—St. Michael's Church, Lyman Turner. Mount Morris—St. John's Church, B. W. Rogers, jun.

### MONROE COUNTY-

ROCHESTER—Grace Church, Wm. S. Philpot, George H. Mumford.

St. Luke's Church, Henry E. Rochester, William Pitkin.

#### NIAGARA COUNTY-

LOCKPORT—Christ Church, Lot Clarke, Charles Evans.

"Grace Church, William Keep.
ROYALTON—St. Luke's Church, Henry Hill.

### ONEIDA COUNTY-

Bridgewater—Christ Church, John F. Trowbridge.
Holland Patent—St. Paul's Church, D. Tillon Bigelow.
New Hartford—St. Stephen's Church, Zedekiah Sanger,
Orlando Eames.

Rome—Zion Church, Jay Hathaway.

Utica-Grace Church, James Watson Williams.

" Trinity Church, J. Benedict, A. G. Dauby, T. C. B. Knowlson.

WATERVILLE-Grace Church, William Osborne, jun.

### ONONDAGA COUNTY-

FAYETTEVILLE—Trinity Church, John Sprague.

GEDDES—Apostolic Church, Benj. G. Avery, Elisha Marsh. Jamesville—St. Mark's Church, Elijah C. Rust, Lemuel Hawley.

Manlius—Christ Church, Elijah E. May, Robert Gilmore, Joshua V. H. Clark.

Marcellus\_St. John's Church, Lyman Whitney.

Onondaga - Zion Church, Cha's D. Easton Cha's Hissey.

Pompey—Christ Church, Samuel Hibbard.

SKANEATELES—St. James' Church, C. J. Burnet, N. J. Rosevelt, Dyer Brainard.

Syracuse—St. Paul's Church, William A. Cook, Isaac T. Minard, Henry Easton.

### ONTARIO COUNTY-

Canandaigua—St. John's Church, Charles Seymour, H. K. Sanger, Chauncey Morse.

GENEVA—Trinity Church, James Rees, David Hudson. Vienna—St. John's Church, Elias Cost.

### **OSWEGO COUNTY**—

Fulton-Zion Church, Elbert Holmes.

GRANBY—St. Luke's Church, Wm. R. Pennfield.

Oswego—Christ Church, James Cochrane.

### SENECA COUNTY-

Seneca Falls—Trinity Church, Gerry V. Sackett.
Waterloo—St. Paul's Church, Henry Warner, B. T. Mumford.

#### STEUBEN COUNTY—

BATH—St. Thomas' Church, Elisha Hempsted.

#### TOMPKINS COUNTY-

ITHACA—St. John's Church, N. T. Williams, Eben'r Mack.

#### **WAYNE COUNTY—**

CLYDE—St. John's Church, William S. Stow.

Lyons-Grace Church, John Adams, A. D. Polhamus.

Palmyra-Zion Church, Trueman Heminway.

The following Clergymen, entitled to seats, were not present at the Convention:

Rev.			Augustine P. Prevost,
66	Stephen H. Battin,	"	Ferdinand Rogers,
66	Nathaniel F. Bruce, M.D.,	66	Lucius Smith,
66	Lucius Carter,	"	Richard Smith,
66	Humphrey Hollis,	"	James O. Stokes,
66	Bethel Judd, D. D.,	"	Lewis Thibou, jr.,
46	Thomas Meachem,	"	Charles J. Todd,
66	Thomas Morris,	"	Henry J. Whitehouse, D.D.
66	Henry Peck,	i	•

The following Clergymen, not members of the Convention, were present at its sittings:

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Rev. Johnson A. Brayton, of the Diocese of New York.

"George B. Eastman, """

"Edward Livermore, """

"Jesse Pound, """

"Orsamus H. Smith, """

"William H. Walter, """

"Amos G. Baldwin, of the Diocese of Western New York.

"Leverett Bush, D. D., """

"John Noble, """

N. Watson Munro, of the Diocese of Vermont.
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## PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

Syracuse, Wednesday, August 17th, 1842.

This being the day fixed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western New York, for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the same, the Right Rev. WILLIAM HEATHCOTE DE LANCEY, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, with a number of the Clergy and Laity, assembled at 10 o'clock, A. M, in St. Paul's Church, in the village of Syracuse, the place appointed by the Bishop for the meeting.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. John F. Fish, assisted by the Rev. Andrew Hull, who read the lessons; and a Charge to the Clergy was delivered by the Bishop. The Bishop then administered the Holy Communion, in which he was assisted by the Rev. Phinehas L. Whipple, Rev. Wm. Shelton, D. D., and Rev. James A. Bolles.

The Convention having been called to order by the Bishop, the Secretary of the last Convention proceeded, under his direction, to call the names of such of the Clergy in the Diocese of Western New York, as, by the Constitution, are entitled to seats in the Convention; when the following gentlemen answered to their names and took their seats as members, viz:—

Right Rev. William Heathcote De Lancey, D. D., The Rev. Charles G. Acly, Edward Andrews, D. D., S. G. Appleton, Liberty A. Barrows, Josiah M. Bartlett, James A. Bolles, Edward Bourns, Fortune C. Brown, Tapping R. Chipman, John W. Clark, Joseph T. Clark, Philemon E. Coe, Samuel Cooke, Charles D. Cooper, Levi H. Corson, William Croswell, Seth Davis, Stephen Douglass, William E. Eigenbrodt, David M. Fackler, John F. Fish, Erastus B. Foot, Geo. D. Gillespie, Samuel Goodale, Henry Gregory, Benjamin Hale, D. D., Cicero S. Hawks, William W. Hickox, Origen P. Holcomb, Andrew Hull, Pierre P. Irving, Henry Lockwood, Alfred Louderback, John McCarty, Stephen

McHugh, Kendrick Metcalf, Stephen C. Millet, Rufus Murray, Major A. Nickerson, Beardsley Northrop, Albert C. Patterson, Marcus A. Perry, Pierre A. Proal, D. D., John C. Rudd, D. D., Thomas J. Ruger, William Shelton, D. D., Erastus Spalding, Benjamin W. Stone, Charles B. Stout, Isaac Swart, Thomas Towell, Amos C. Treadway, John V. Van Ingen, Nathaniel Watkins, William M. Weber, M. D., Eli Wheeler, Phinehas L. Whipple, Hobart Williams, Lloyd Windsor.

The Churches of the Diocese having been called, in order, for the certificates of Lay Deputies,

The Chair appointed the Rev. William E. Eigenbrodt, and the Rev. Cicero S. Hawks, under the third rule of order, to examine the same with the Secretary.

It was then on motion of Dr. Proal,

Resolved, That the Convention take a recess until half past 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Whereupon the house took a recess until half past 3 o'clock.

# Wednesday Afternoon, 31 o'clock.

The Convention re-assembled.

The Committee to whom were referred the certificates of Lay Deputies, having reported, the Secretary proceeded to call the Churches in order, when the following gentlemen appeared as Lay Deputies and took their seats, viz: from

counties.	CHURCHES.	DEPUTIES.
Cayuga	.St. Peter's, Aubura	George B. Throop.
	0. 35 · · · · · ·	S. A. Goodwin.
	St. Matthew's, Moravia	William Wade.
Chemung	Trinity, Elmira	Harvey Luce.
	St. John's, Catherines	Noble I. Stuart.
Chenango	.Zion, Greene	Joseph Juliand.
	•	Robert Monell.
	Christ, Sherburne	Oliver Bates.
		Thomas Kershaw.
Erie	.St. Paul's, Buffalo	George B. Webster.
	Trinity, Buffalo	.J. Radcliff.
Genesee	.St. James', Batavia	John S. Ganson.
	•	William Dewey.
	St. Mark's, LeRoy	.J. A. Perkins.

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DEPUTIES
Jefferson	.Zion, Pierrepont Manor	.W. C. Pierrepont.
	.St. Michael's, Geneseo	
	St. John's, Mount Morris.	
Monroe	.Grace, Rochester	
•	•	George H. Mumford.
	St. Luke's, do	Henry E. Rochester.
	•	William Pitkin.
Niagara	.Christ, Lockport	Lot Clarke.
		Charles Evans.
	Grace, do	William Keep.
	St. Luke's, Royalton	
Oneida	.Christ, Bridgewater	
	St. Paul's, Holland Patent.	D. Tillon Bigelow.
	St. Stephen's, New Hartford	Zedekiah Sanger.
	- •	Orlando Eames.
	Zion, Rome	Jay Hathaway.
	Grace, Utica	Jas. W. Williams.
	Trinity, Utica	Augustine G. Dauby.
		Joseph Benedict.
		T. C. B. Knowlson.
	Grace, Waterville	William Osborne, jr.
Onondaga	.Trinity, Fayetteville	John Sprague.
	Apostolic, Geddes	
	G. 55 11 7 11	Elisha Marsh.
	St. Mark's, Jamesville	
		Lemuel Hawley.
	Christ, Manlius	
		Joshua V. H. Clark.
	St. John's, Marcellus	Elijah E. May.
	Zion, Onondaga	Charles D. Feston
	Christ, Pompey	Samuel Hibbard
	St. James', Skaneateles	C G Burnett
	or dames, Skaneateres	N. J. Roosevelt.
	•	Dyer Brainard.
	St. Paul's, Syracuse	
		Isaac T. Minard.
		Henry Easton.
Ontario	.St. John's, Canandaigua	
	, 3	Henry K. Sanger.
		Chauncey Morse.
	Trinity, Geneva	
		David Hudson.
	St. John's, Vienna	
Oswego	.Zion, Fulton	Elbert Holmes.
_	St. Luke's, Granby	William R. Pennfield.
	Christ, Oswego	James Cochrane.
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COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DEPUTIES.
Seneca	Trinity, Seneca Falls	Gerry V. Sackett.
	St. Paul's, Waterloo	Henry Warner.
	•	B. T. Mumford.
Tompkins	St. John's, Ithaca	N. T. Williams.
-	·	Ebenezer Mack.
Wayne	St. John's, Clyde	William S. Stow.
-	Grace, Lyons	
	•	A. D. Polhamus.
•	Zion, Palmyra	Trueman Heminway.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Proal, the Rules of Order of the last Convention were adopted to regulate the proceedings of the present Convention.

They were subsequently amended as follows:

### RULES OF ORDER:

IN CONDUCTING THE BUSINESS OF THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW YORK.

- I. At the opening of any session of the Convention, the President shall take the chair, and shall continue to preside during its sitting. He shall possess the usual powers of presiding officers in deliberative assemblies, to preserve order and decorum, and shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house. He shall have the right to name any clerical member to perform the duties of the chair, but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment, unless directed by the house. The person so named shall possess all the powers of the President, but shall not lose the right of voting while so presiding.
- II. If the Secretary of the preceding Convention be in attendance, he shall officiate as such, until another be chosen. If he be not present, or there shall be none, a temporary Secretary may be appointed on motion, by a viva voce vote.
- shall call over the names of the clergy entitled to seats in the Convention, and shall enter in the Journals those who are present. Notice shall then be given to the Lay-Deputies to place their certificates on the table. They shall be examined by the Secretary and a committee of two members to be appointed by the President. Any irregular or defective certificate shall be suspended until a quorum shall have appeared. The names of the lay deputies duly appointed

shall then be called, and those who are present shall be entered on the Journals. The irregular and defective certificates shall then be reported to the Convention, who shall decide on the admission of the deputies named in them.

- IV. A constitutional quorum being found to be present, the President shall declare the Convention duly organized.
- V. A Secretary shall then be chosen in the manner prescribed by the canons. He may appoint an assistant, who shall perform all the duties of the office, in the absence of the Secretary.
- VI. The following standing committees shall then be appointed by the President:
  - 1. On the admission into union with this Convention of churches applying for the same, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen.
  - 2. On the accounts of the Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled clergymen, to consist of three laymen.
  - 3. On the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention, to consist of three laymen.
  - 4. On the report of the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, and the condition of the fund, to consist of three laymen.
  - 5. On unfinished business, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen.
- VII. A Treasurer of the Convention, and a Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled clergymen, shall then be appointed by ballot, unless dispensed with by an unanimous vote, when they may be appointed on motion.
- VIII. After the Daily Morning Prayer, the order of business, which shall not be departed from without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, shall be as follows:
  - 1. The reading, correcting, and approving of the minutes of the preceding day.
  - n. Calling the names of absent members, and entering in the Journal those who appear.
  - m. Reports from standing committees in the following order:
    - 1. On the admission into union with the Convention of this Diocese, of churches applying for that purpose.
    - 2. On the accounts of the Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled clergymen.
    - 3. On the Treasurer's accounts.

- 4. On the report of the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, and the condition of the fund.
  - 5. On unfinished business.
- rv. Reports from the Secretary and Treasurer, when those officers have any business committed to them, shall then be in order: and then reports from the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate, and from the Trustees of the Christmas Fund for disabled clergymen.
- v. Reports from Special committees in the order in which they were appointed.
- vi. Motions, resolutions, and miscellaneous business.
- IX. The Bishop's Address shall be in order at any time.
- X. Every member who shall be present when a question is stated from the Chair, shall vote thereon unless excused by the house.
- XI. No motion shall be put or debated until it is seconded; and when seconded, it shall be stated by the President before debate, and every motion shall be reduced to writing when required by the President, or any member.
- XII. If the question in debate contain several distinct propositions, any member may have the same divided.
- XIII. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received unless to postpone it indefinitely; to postpone it to a certain time; to lay it on the table; to commit it or amend it; and motions for either of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. But a motion to adjourn shall always be in order when no member is speaking, and shall be decided without debate; and if it be negatived, it shall not be renewed until some other business has intervened.
- XIV. A motion to lay on the table shall be decided without debate.
- XV. On a question being put by the President, it shall be determined by the sound of voices, for or against it, but any member may require a count of the votes, and tellers for that purpose shall be appointed by the chair—or any three votes may, previous to a decision by count, require the ayes and noes to be taken, which shall be done by calling the names of the clerical members and the churches represented, and the votes shall be entered in the Journals.
- XVI. Any five votes may require the ayes and noes to be taken by orders, and when so taken, they shall be entered on the minutes.
- XVII. No member may speak more than twice on the same question without leave of the house.

- XVIII. A question being decided, shall not be re-considered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the votes of the Convention, nor without the motion for that purpose being made by one of the majority on the prior decision: nor shall any question be re-considered more than once.
- XIX. All special committees shall be appointed by the chair, unless otherwise specially directed by the house, in which case they shall be appointed by ballot.
- XX. The election of the Standing committee, and of Deputies to the General Convention, and the election of any person to supply a vacancy in the Board of Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, or in the Board of Trustees of the Christmas Fund for disabled clergymen, shall be the first business, after the approval of the minutes, on the second day of every annual meeting of the Convention.
- XXI. No standing rule or order shall be suspended, changed, or rescinded without one day's previous notice of a motion to that effect, unless by the votes of two-thirds of the persons present entitled to vote.
- XXII. Before the final adjournment of any session of the Convention, the minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read, corrected and approved.
- XXIII. Unless otherwise ordered by the Convention, it shall meet at nine o'clock in the morning, take a recess from one to three o'clock in the afternoon, and adjourn for the day at six o'clock P. M.

The Convention then proceeded to the appointment of a Secretary:—whereupon a vote by ballot having been, on motion, dispensed with, the Rev. Pierre A. Proal, D. D., was unanimously elected.

The Secretary announced to the house, that he appointed the Rev. William E. Eigenbrodt his assistant.

On motion,

Resolved, That Clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention; Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese; and Professors and students of Theology in the Protestant Episcopal Church, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention.

The Chair then announced the following Standing Committees according to the 6th rule of order:

On the admission into Union with this Convention of Churches applying for the same.

Rev. Cicero S. Hawks, Messrs. David Hudson, Joseph Benedict.

On the accounts of the Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen.

Messrs. Henry E. Rochester, Joseph Juliand, George B. Webster.

On the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention.

Messrs. W. C. Pierrepont, W. S. Philpot, H. K. Sanger.

The Report from the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate was then presented: and on motion referred to a special Committee of three.

Messrs. George B. Webster, G. B. Throop, Wm. Pitkin, were appointed that Committee.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Proal,

Resolved, That this Convention have heard with edification and pleasure the learned and eloquent Charge delivered by the Bishop of the Diocese to the Clergy at the opening of the same, and that he be respectfully requested to furnish a copy for publication.

Also, Resolved, That in the event of the consent of the Bishop to the publication of said Charge, 5000 copies be printed at the expense of this Convention.

The following Churches applied for admission into union with this Convention, viz:

Christ Church, Jordan, Onondaga county.

St. John's Church, Cape Vincent, Jefferson county.

St. Paul's Church, Stafford, Genesee county.

Gethsemane Church, Westmoreland, Oneida county.

On motion, these applications were referred to the Standing Committee "On the admission of Churches into union with the Convention."

The Bishop then, in compliance with the Canon, delivered the following \*

### ADDRESS.

Bretheen—The Clerical and Lay

Members of the Convention.—

Permitted again, my brethren, to meet in safety to deliberate and consult on the affairs of the Diocese, let us with true humility of heart, cherish the sense of devout gratitude to a merciful and gracious God, for the lives he has spared and the personal and spiritual blessings he has conferred upon us all. May the author of peace and lover of concord be with us at all times, and especially in this council of His Church, to guide and sanctify all our proceedings to His glory and the good of His flock.

Pursuant to the requisitions of the Canon, I present the following record of my official acts since the last Convention, interspersed with such remarks as they suggest.

On Sunday morning, August 22d, 1841, I preached in Trinity church, Geneva.

On Sunday, the 29th, I read prayers and preached in the morning in Grace church, and in the afternoon in St. Luke's church, Rochester.

On the 30th, I preached and confirmed six persons in Trinity church, Centrefield, in the morning; and the same day, in the afternoon, I preached and confirmed three persons in the house used by the congregation of Zion church, East Bloomfield, Ontario county.

On the 30th, I admitted Mr. John W. Clark as a candidate for orders in this Diocese, on a letter of transfer from the Bishop of Michigan.

On the 31st, I received into this Diocese, from the Diocese of Massachusetts, the Rev. Samuel Goodale, Deacon, Missionary at Liverpool and Geddes, Onondaga county.

On the 4th of September, I visited Calvary church, Homer, in which I preached and confirmed eleven persons.

Sunday, the 5th, I preached and administered the Holy Com-

munion in the morning, in St. John's church, Ithaca, Tompkins county; and preached and confirmed fourteen persons in the afternoon.

On the 6th, I preached and confirmed three persons in Christ church, South Danby, Tompkins county.

On the 7th, I preached and confirmed seven persons in St. Mark's church, Candor, Tioga county.

On the 8th, I preached, administered the Holy Communion, and confirmed four persons, in St. Paul's church, Owego, Tioga county.

On the 9th, I preached in the Methodist house in Factoryville, Chemung county.

On the 10th, I instituted the Rev. Kendrick Metcalf into the Rectorship of Trinity church, *Elmira*, Chemung county, on which occasion I preached; and on the afternoon of the same day, I preached and confirmed three persons.

I preached in St. Paul's church, Bigg Flatts, on the morning of the 11th. The condition of this parish is such that there is no prospect of regaining possession of the church edifice, sold several years ago for debt, but at a sacrifice of means beyond the value of the building for our purposes.

On Sunday, the 12th, I preached in the Presbyterian house at Knoxville, Steuben county; and in the afternoon, preached and confirmed one person in the Methodist house at Corning, for the new congregation of the Church in that village.

On the 13th, I had the pleasure of a gratifying interview with the Bishop of Pennsylvania, at Blossburgh, in that Diocese, where, by his invitation, I preached in a room fitted up in the rail-road depot, and also attended a second service in the same place and listened to an instructive discourse from his lips.

In St. Thomas' church, Bath, Steuben county, I preached on the 14th, and confirmed eleven persons.

I preached in St. James' church, Hammondsport, on the 15th.

At Wayne, on the 16th, I was compelled by a temporary indisposition to omit my appointment, and the Rev. Mr. Whipple preached. On the 17th, I preached in St. Mark's church, *Penn Yan*, Yates county, and confirmed *nine* persons. Here also I baptized the infant child of the Rev. Edmund Embury.

I preached in St. James' church, Jefferson, Chemung county, on the 18th; and in the afternoon of the same day in the Methodist house, Millport.

On Sunday morning, the 19th, I preached and confirmed four persons in St. John's church, Catherine, Chemung county; and on the afternoon of the same day, I preached in the Methodist house, Havanna, in the same county.

On the 20th, I received into canonical connection with this Diocese, the Rev. John F. Fish, Rector of Trinity church, Watertown, Jefferson county, from the Diocese of Mississippi.

On the same day, I received notice of the degradation, on the 21st August, of Albert A. Muller from the ministry, by the Bishop of Tennessee.

On the 26th, I preached twice in Zion church, *Palmyra*, confirming two persons in the afternoon.

Sunday, October 3d, I spent in *Utica*, where I preached in the morning in Trinity church; and in the afternoon in Grace church, which during the summer had been greatly enlarged.

From the 6th to the evening of the 19th of October, I was in attendance on the General Convention, held in the city of New York, and on the general institutions of the Church convened during that period at that place. The results of the triennial meeting of the representatives of the Church evince the continued providence of her great and adorable Head, in the preservation of her peace and unity, and according to my judgment, in the general wisdom and prudence of their proceedings. The declining of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies to concur in the nomination of the Bishops for Africa and Texas, until provision should be made for securing the Church against evils which might arise under the existing provisions of the Constitution and Canons, affords gratifying evidence that in the counsels of the Church, wisdom and prudence will not be sacrificed to zeal. It is proper to state that the action of the House of

Bishops was not unanimous in the step proposed by them and postponed by the other House.

On the 9th, I received into this Diocese, the Rev. Charles B. Stout from the Diocese of Michigan, and the Rev. Origen P. Holcomb from the Diocese of New York. The former is Missionary at Westfield, Chautauque county, and the latter is Rector of Christ church, Lockport.

On the 10th of October, I preached in St. Peter's church, New York.

On the 7th of November, I held an ordination in Trinity church, Geneva, on which occasion I admitted Mr. John W. Clark to the Holy order of Deacons, and administered the Holy Communion.

On Sunday, the 14th, I held in the afternoon a confirmation in Trinity church, Seneca Falls, and preached and confirmed five persons.

I consecrated the church of the Ascension, at Liverpool, Onondaga county, on the 20th; and preached on the occasion and confirmed five persons. The erection of this neat edifice is highly creditable to the zeal and liberality of the friends of the Church in that village.

On Sunday, the 21st, I preached twice in St. Paul's church, Syracuse, where I confirmed in the morning eight persons.

I attended the special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary on the 30th, in the city of New York for the appointment of a Professor of Pastoral Theology and Pulpit Eloquence, when the Rev. Benjamin I. Haight was appointed.

Domestic circumstances having compelled me to spend the winter in the city of New York, I officiated out of the Diocese on sundry occasions, as follows: in St. Peter's church in that city, on the 28th of November; in the church of the Annunciation, on the 5th of December, where I administeded the Holy Communion; in Grace church, on the 12th; in St. Luke's church, on the 19th; in Trinity church, New Rochelle, on the 25th, administering the Communion; and in the same church, on the 26th of December.

On the 15th of December, I received the canonical notice from the Bishop of North Carolina, of the degradation of John A. Backhouse from the ministry. On the 21st, I addressed a brief pastoral letter, to the clergy and churches of the Diocese, requesting them to apply the monthly collections for January to the cause of Domestic Missions, the exigencies of that department being very great, and the Secretary and Domestic Committee very urgent for the same. The peculiar circumstances under which this request was made were fully developed in the letter. The sum raised was duly transmitted to the Treasurer of the Committee.

I take this occasion to express the opinion that some changes are necessary in the Board of Missions of the Church, in order to secure

\*To the Clergy and Congregations of the Diocese of Western New York:

My Dran Brethern:—

I submit to you the following correspondence with the Secretary and General Agent of the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions in relation to the pecuniary wants of that department, and to the best mode of meeting them, so far as this Diocese is concerned.

Church Missions—Domestic Office, 281 Broadway. New York, Oct. 28, 1841.

RT. REV. AND DEAR SIR-

At the last meeting of the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions, the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That the Secretary and General Agent be instructed to confer, personally or by letter, with the several Bishops, upon the best mode of raising funds in their respective Dioceses, for meeting the present exigency, and for carrying on the operations of this department."

The Funds of the Committee are exhausted, and they will soon be called upon

to make large payments.

They will be much obliged to you if you will have the goodness to inform them what mode you deem best to be adopted, in order to raise from Western New York a due proportion of the funds necessary for the objects intrusted to them.

I remain, Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir,

Respectfully and truly, your friend and servant,

J. DIXON CARDER, Sec. and Gen'l Ag't D. C. B. M.

Rt. Rev. Bishop De Lancey, Geneva, W. N. Y.

Geneva, Nov. 2, 1841.

To Rev. J. D. Carder, Secretary, &c.

REV. AND DEAR SIR,

Yours of the 28th ultimo has just come to hand. The only mode in which the object of procuring funds for your exhausted treasury can be accomplished, is by an

appeal to the clergy and churches.

The force of such an appeal is, so far as this Diocese is concerned, in my judgment, very much weakened by the unfortunate course taken by the Board at its recent meeting. Still I am willing to aid in making it, by addressing to the clergy and churches in the Diocese a request to appropriate the proceeds of the monthly collection for January next throughout the Diocese, to Domestic Missions. If all the Bishops will request their respective clergy and churches to make a collection on that day (second Sunday in January) for General Missions, the present embarrassments would be relieved.

I name the month of January, because our collections for the disabled clergy occur in December, and I should not like to interfere with that object, and because it gives time for simultaneous action throughout the Church. And I suggest the for it that united and harmonious support which so important and influential an institution of the Church should receive. With a view to allay what I believed to be a feeling of increasing distrust and dissatisfaction with this institution, which though it may not assume the form of open opposition, is likely to engender what would be more fatal—indifference to it,—I have been the advocate in the Board of changes in its action and organization: urging in regard to the former, increased efficiency, economy, and concentration, and in regard to the latter, the adoption of a simpler machinery, and of some plain principles calculated to infuse a more Church-like character into the Constitution, and to remedy some of its obvious defects.

second Sunday of the month, because that is the regular day for our Church collections. Any other Sunday would greatly interfere with our Diocesan arrangements. If such a plan shall meet the views of the Domestic Committee, I shall expect of course to hear from you, that I may discharge my part of the duty: which will be done with the hope, if not in the faith, that the future action of the Committee will be marked by due regard to efficiency, economy, and concentration.

I remain, very sincerely yours,

WM. H. DE LANCEY.

Church Missions—Domestic Office, 281 Broadway. New York, Nov. 18th, 1841,

RT. REV. AND DEAR SIR:

I have the pleasure of informing you, that I laid your letter of the 2d inst., pointing out the best mode of raising funds in your Diocese for Domestic Missions, before the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions at their last meeting.

The Committee have instructed me to say, that they are very grateful for your proposal to cause the offerings of the congregations of your Diocese in January to be

appropriated to Domestic Missions.

The Committee have also directed me to express the hope, that you will proceed to take whatever steps you deem expedient for accomplishing this end. If there is any way in which they can aid in its accomplishment, they will be most happy to pursue it.

I remain, Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir,

Very respectfully and truly, your friend and servant,

J. Dixon Carden,

Sec. and Gen'l Ag't D. C. B. M.

In conformity to my suggestion, as stated above, I now respectfully request you to apply the monthly collections, on the second Sunday in January, to Domestic Missions, and to transmit the proceeds at an early day to the Treasurer of the Diocese that they may be forwarded by him to the Treasurer of the Domestic Committee.

This request is made, I feel bound to say, under the conviction that it is still our duty to sustain the Missionaries of the West through the Board of Missions, the organized institution of the Church. My opinion of the necessity of increased economy, efficiency, and concentration, in that institution, is unchanged. Not, however, until all proper and constitutional efforts to amend its defects, and to render it thoroughly effective and useful, shall have failed, can we be justified in seeking other channels for the liberality of the Diocese towards the general missions of the Church. Should the reasonable desire felt by so many of the friends of missions for some modification of it fail to be countenanced at the meeting of the Board in June next, I shall, for myself, cease to be its advocate, and shall await the rectifying action of the next General Convention. In the mean time, let us hope and pray that wiser counsels may prevail.

It is certain that the Missionaries of the Board both merit and need our efforts and liberality to sustain them in their far-off scenes of labor and privation. The dis-

In regard to action, I have urged the concentration of the energies and liberality of our Church upon Africa and Texas as the foreign field, and upon the Western states and territories as the Domestic scene of labors; believing that in this portion of the great field, there is both ample room and imperative demand for all that our Church can do for years to come. And from the conviction, also, that however strong may be the claims of other lands, those of the suffering Dioceses and territories of the West, of nascent Texas, and of idolatrous and sunken Africa, to which, from peculiar circumstances we owe so much in the way of moral restitution, may be urged upon the sober and true hearted piety of the Church, without excit-

beartened brethren, yet clinging, amid a thousand discouragements, such as yourselves have encountered, to the doctrines and polity of the Church, earnestly ask to
be fortified in the stand which they have taken for the cause and Church of God,
and cry out for spiritual nourishment "in a barren and dry land where no water is."
On that sea of unsettled opinion and conflicting ministration, there needs to be poured out the calming oil of truth and order, as supplied by the ministry, ordinances,
and liturgy of the Church. The obligation to cultivate this field cannot be questioned. And I trust the Diocese will not be backward, according to its means, and according to the known demands upon it for home duties, to evince practically, that
while opposed to indiscreet expansion and extravagant expenditure in our general
missions, it yet rejoices to aid all judicious measures to extend the Church of the Redeemer throughout our land, and throughout the world.

Let me ambrace this opportunity also, to renew the earnest solicitation to the clergy and congregations, to be regular and punctual in making the monthly collections. The burden of our Diocesan Missions is great. It is becoming heavier by the decrease of the funds from the other Diocese. During the current year, two thousand dollars only are due from that Diocese. For the next year, only one thousand dollars will be received; and after that period, that supply wholly ceases. The formation of new parishes, needing aid, will continue of course. Increasing liberality and seal on our part will enable us to meet this increasing burden, aided as we shall be by such a gradual diminution of the missionary parishes as the necessity of the case exacts, and their strength and stability will allow. The other important en-

terprises of the Church also urge their respective claims.

I would perticularly press upon my brothren of the clergy, the importance of presenting the subject fully to their congregations, in their stated instructions. Let it be shown to the people how practicable it is to advance the best interests of the Church by stated contributions. In every congregation, there are some who can give five dollars every month-come four, come three, some two, some one dollar, some fifty cents, some twenty-five cents, some a shilling, some sixpence. Let each one be tirged to do what is in his power, as God has blessed him, and to do it regularly and cheerfully, as unto God and not to man. The aggregate will show the advantage of the system. The result of our past efforts, which have already increased the contributions of the Diocese fourfold, afford abundant cause of gratitude to God, and of encouragement to ourselves. In many of the parishes, the burden of supporting their own parochial ministrations is, I am aware, of no slight pressure. While constitutes a repeen for not expecting so large contributions as more wealthy, and stronger churches should give, it yet cannot justify a total refusal to ald our feebles brothren, or our withholding from the treasury of God-the cause and Church of Christ-that "mite", which, given in faith and love, and from the solemn impulses of Christian duty, is sure of acceptance and reward from Him whose approval, at the final day, will outweigh the most costly sacrifices that we can make, whether of time talent, wealth, or even of life, in his behalf.

Imploring the blessing and guidance of the Holy Spirit for you all,
I remain, affectionately, Yours in the Lord,
WM. H. DE LANCES,
Bishop of the Diocese of W.N.Y.

ing that opposition to Foreign Missionary labors which is easily stirred in a country so new as ours, and in a Church itself so weak, and so full of spiritual wants as our own. I have urged also that abler and more experienced men should be sent into both fields, and that they should be better paid, believing that this would increase the efficiency, though it might diminish the number, of our missionaries.

I have advocated also more economy in the administration of the concerns of the Board, under the belief that when the Church calls upon the infant and struggling congregations of the country to aid in the great cause, she is bound, whatever be the course taken by other institutions, to adopt the most rigid economy in the administration of the business part of her agency in this matter.

But the defects in the action of the Board sink into insignificance before the defects in its organization. The most obvious of these are:—

1. That the Church at large is not equitably represented in the Board.

The Board consists of four classes of members, viz:

- i. The Bishops, ex officio, - 20 ii. The patrons of the former Society and the Secretary of
- the Board, - - 45
- iii. The Secretaries and the members of the two Committees, ex officio. - - 18
- iv. Thirty members elected by the General Convention, 30

Of these 113 members, 33 belong to one Diocese, and three contiguous Dioceses, (New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania,) have 56 representatives in the Board, while some Dioceses have but one, and some Dioceses none. The average attendance of members at the meetings of the Board of Missions is about 35, since the adoption of the present Constitution in 1835. If the Diocese of New York with 197 clergy and contributing \$22,000 the last year to the funds of the institution, may be admitted to be fairly represented by having thirty-three representatives in the Board of Missions; can the same thing be said of New Jersey, which with 42 clergy and contributing \$491 has nine representatives, while Connecticut with 91 clergy and contributing \$2,200 has but seven, and

Virginia, with 94 clergy and contributing \$4,150 has but three? Is the Church fairly represented by such a system, and especially as no provision in the Constitution enables the Board to take the vote by orders or by Dioceses, and thus counteract the overwhelming influence of numbers? That some remedy should be provided for such a defect, seems to me a plain dictate of propriety and equity.

- 2. The Secretaries and members of the executive committees are ex officio members of the Board, with the right to speak and vote upon the approval of their own acts. That they should be permitted to attend the meetings of the Board and to speak, may advantageously be allowed; but to give them a right to vote is against the analogy of all the institutions of the kind. As well might the faculty of the general Theological Seminary be admitted to a seat in the Board of Trustees; or the faculties of our Colleges be allowed a similar privilege; or the officers and clerks in the Banks be admitted to a seat and vote with the Board of Directors. And when it is remembered that the executive committee fill up all vacancies in their number, subject merely to approval by the Board, it must, I think, be obvious that in urging a change on this point, I am but urging what common sense and common practice dictate.
- 3. Another defect is, that it contains no provision by which the rights and feelings of the Bishops in those Dioceses wherein the Missionaries of the Board labor, are secured against an extraneous influence and interference, on the part of the Secretaries of the Board in their correspondence with the Missionaries. Loud complaints have been made on this point. By a recent resolution of the Board, its action in this respect has been changed. But without a constitutional provision against such interference there can be no security against its recurrence, as a future Board may revoke the resolution of the present.
- 4. But a still more serious objection occurs to the present organization, arising out of the relation to it which the Bishops of the Church are compelled to hold. In the General Theological Seminary, the Bishops may at any time demand in the Board a vote by orders, in which case a concurrence is necessary; and are thus se-

cured against being committed to any measure or opinion, by the force of the vote of a majority.

In the General Convention, a concurrence of the two houses is necessary in all proceedings and laws which affect the whole Church.

But, strange to say, in the Constitution of the Board of Missions, that institution which is interwoven with the character of the Church more than any other; that institution which holds in its hands the great work of propagating the Gospel and Church of Christ throughout our land and throughout the world; that institution which challenges the love and liberality of every member of the household of faith; that institution is modelled on the Congregational platform of placing layman, deacon, priest, and Bishop on the same arena of debate; where the most skilful, bold, zealous, and fluent, will predominate, and where the opinion of the presiding Bishop of the Church has no more practical weight, when questions are brought to a vote, than that of the youngest deacon or youngest layman, that may happen to be voted into either Committee to fill a vacancy within a week before the meeting of the Board. The members of the House of Bishops, as a body, are as little disposed as qualified to carry on debates in a popular assembly, and yet, unless they will consent to the exposures and trials of such a scene, they must consent to lose the weight of their sentiments in the Board, or to seek peace by surrendering the conduct of the institution to whomsoever will undertake to This defect would be the less to be deplored, were it not the fact that the Church at large is held responsible more or less for the proceedings of the Board, who are regarded as the Church's agents. As that Board is now constituted, the whole House of Bishops if present, could not prevent the majority from adopting any principle, opinion, or mode of action, however incompatible it might be with the doctrines and usages of the Church.

It is no answer to say that this is an extravagant supposition. It was an extravagant supposition that any one General Convention should abandon or modify the 39 Articles, but the Convention deemed it wise to supply in 1811 the omission of 1789, by inserting a clause into the Constitution to secure the Church against such a step.

There may be other modifications of the Constitution necessary or expedient. I am not wedded to the prevalence of my own opinions

in this matter, except so far as they accord with the unchangeable principles of the Church.\*

In my judgment, the having two Secretaries, two Treasurers, and two Committees, one for Foreign and the other for Domestic Missions, besides encumbering the machinery of the Society and destroying its unity, tends to perpetuate the influence of party division, and to rivet upon the minds of the members of the Church the distinctions in Missions between Foreign and Domestic, which the very avowal of the principle that "the field is the world" was designed to counteract.

I have deemed it my duty to present these views to you, my brethren, because the advocacy of them in the Board has subjected me to not a little misrepresentation and odium, and I wish to put on record the general views which I entertain and have urged on this subject.

While it is our duty both as Christians and Churchmen to submit to what the constituted authorities of the Church may determine, and to uphold her institutions, the obligation is no less strong upon us to labor in every legitimate way to remedy any defects in the agencies which she establishes to promote her benign objects, and thus to secure for her great and beneficent undertakings the warm affection and expanded liberality of all her members. For the consideration of such changes as have been suggested, we must await the action of the next General Convention. The Board itself is adverse to entertaining the subject of any change in its organization. In the decision of the General Convention on these points fairly had, the whole Church will confide, and no portion of the Church more readily than the Diocese of Western New York.†

The answer usually made to these objections, is, that at the General Convention of 1835, when the present defective constitution was adopted, its adoption was the result of compromise; but by and between whom this compromise was made, its precise nature and extent, the particular points which it involves, the parties whom which, and the length of time it is to last, are matters of which the Church generally is ignorant. They do not appear on the records of the Board or of the Convention.

and Constitutionally urging improvements in the Missionary action and organization of the Board of Missions, are not shrinking from the attempt to discharge their duty and to sustain the Missions of the Church, let the following facts, derived from the publications of the Board itself, declare to their brethren in the Church. They are stated not for boasting, but for vindication. We are yet very far behind our obliga-

On Sunday, January 2d, 1842, I preached in St. Peter's church, *Philadelphia*, where I administered the Communion, and in St. Stephen's church; on the 6th, in St. Peter's church; and on the 9th, in Christ church, St. James', and Trinity church, in the same city.

On the 16th, I preached in All Saints' church, New York.

On the 23d, I preached in the morning and evening in the chapel of St. Paul's College, College Point, baptizing in the even-

tions and privileges, but not behind all of our sister Dioceses in our efforts to promote this cause.

L That from June 1839 to June 1840, sixteen Churches in Western New York contributed to the funds of the Board.

From June 1840 to June 1841, thirty-one Churches contributed. From " 1841 to " 1842, fifty-eight Churches contributed.

- II. That during the Conventional year ending 17th of August, one-filk of the contributions of the Diocese for all Church purposes other than Parochial, went into the treasury of the Board of Missions.
- III. That the Churches in the Diocese very generally responded to the special appeal of the Bishop in a pastoral letter, in behalf of the Domestic Committee, made in January of this year.
- IV. That during the last year, ending June 15, 1842, more Churches in this Diocese made collections or contributions for the Board of Missions in proportion to numbers than in any other Diocese but one, as will be seen from the following table, comprehending some of the principal Dioceses.

In South Carolina 31 Churches out of 44 made collections. "Western N. Y. 58 110 " Massachusetts 23 **4**6 " Connecticut 4 u 41 97 " Maryland 34 90 " New York 61 " New Jersey 15 "Pennsylvania 46 123

V. That there has been a greater increase of contributing Churches during the last year in Western New York, than in any other Diocese, while in many Dioceses the number has decreased, as well as the amount contributed. In Western New York 27 additional Churches made collections.

While in Connecticut there were 9 Churches less which made collections.

VI. In regard to the amounts contributed, (legacies excepted,) it will be seen that Western New York has not fallen off, but gained on the amount of the former year, while other Dioceses have lessened their contributions. The contributions to the Board of Missions in 1841 and 1842, respectively, were as follows:

		1841.		1842,		gain.		loss.
From	New York	\$11,282	••••	\$12,681	••••	1399	••••	
64	South Carolina,	8.846	••••					190
66	Pennsylvania,	7.886	••••					3.017
44	Maryland,	3.379	••••		••••			256
46	Connecticut	3.389		2,207				1.082
86	Massachusetts,	2.508	••••	2,106		-		402
84	Western New Yor	k. 1.150	••••	1.210	••••		••••	
44	New Jersey,					_		231
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ing one adult. In the afternoon of the same day, in St. George's church, Flushing.

On Sunday the 30th in St. Peter's church, New York; on the 6th February in St. Mark's church.

On the 11th and 12th, I attended the intermediate examination of the students of the General Theological Seminary; of the value and importance and claims of which institution I am deeply impressed.

On the 13th of February, I preached in St. Paul's church, and on the 20th in St. Peter's New York.

On the 23d, I transferred the Rev. George Ogle, Deacon, to the Diocese of New Jersey; and on the 28th, I received the canonical notice of the degradation of Patrick K. Folger from the ministry, by the Bishop of South Carolina.

On the 3d of March, I preached in Emanuel church, Brooklyn, on occasion of the consecration of the same by the Right Rev. Rishop B. T. Onderdonk.

On the 8th, I transferred the Rev. Thomas S. Brittain to the Diocese of New York.

On the 13th, I preached in St. Thomas' church, Mamaroneck, and in Trinity church, New Rochelle; and on the 20th, in St. John's church and St. Clement's church, New York; and on Good Friday, the 25th, in Grace church, New York.

On Easter-day, the 27th, I read prayers, preached, and administered the Holy Communion in St. Thomas' church, *Mama-roneck*.

On the 1st of April, in the good providence of God, I returned to the Diocese, and preached on the 3d in Trinity church, Geneva. With most praiseworthy zeal and abundant liberality, the congregation have entered upon the erection of a new stone edifice to meet the expanding wants of the Church in that village. The old frame building, one of the earliest church edifices in Western New York, consecrated by Bishop Benjamin Moore in 1810, has been removed, and such progress has been made in the foundation and superstructure of the new, as to authorize the hope of completion and consecration next summer or fall. In

the mean time, the congregation have been supplied with a temporary place of worship, at first in the old, and afterwards in the new Medical Hall of Geneva College. I preached twice in the former on Sunday, the 10th April.

On the 17th, I preached twice in St. Paul's Church, Waterloo, confirming in the afternoon three persons.

On the 18th, I had the gratification of consecrating a small, but very neat church edifice in *Clyde*, Wayne county, by the name of St. John's church, the erection of which, free from debt, reflects great credit on the persevering zeal and energy of the Churchmen of that village.

And here I cannot but express to the feeble congregations of the Diocese as yet unsupplied with edifices of public worship, the most earnest hope that they will aim to follow this example, and the full and strong conviction that it will be better, far better for them to erect at first a small building, neat and convenient like the one referred to, unencumbered with debt, than to encounter the undertaking of an expensive edifice, that will involve them in debt, or to await the arrival of a period of greater strength and means, unaccomodated with any convenient place of worship.

On the 19th, in Grace church, Lyons, I preached, confirmed seventeen, and administered the Holy Communion.

On the 22d, I preached for the congregation of St. John's church, Vienna, Ontario county, in the Presbyterian house in that village.

I spent Sunday, the 24th, in Rochester, where in the morning in Grace church, I preached and confirmed nine persons; and in the afternoon, in St. Luke's church, I preached and confirmed seventy-one persons. I preached again in the evening in Grace church.

On Tuesday, the 26th, I consecrated St. John's church, Honeoye Falls, Monroe county, and preached on the occasion. The erection of this handsome edifice reflects great credit on the zealous individuals by whose efforts and perseverance it was effected.

I preached in St. James' church, Batavia, on the evening of the 27th, and confirmed six persons.

On the 28th, I consecrated a small and neat edifice in Stafford, by the name of St. Paul's church. I alluded in the last year's report to this enterprise, the completion of which I thus have the pleasure to record. The church has been erected, a congregation organized, and a clergyman called. The consecration of the building and the admission of the church into union with the Convention was all that was now necessary. The former has been performed, and the latter doubtless will be consummated at this Convention: the whole betokening a Christian zeal and energy and piety on the part of the people deserving of the highest praise.

In St. Mark's church, Le Roy, on the 29th, I preached and confirmed eleven persons; having baptized in the same church the evening before, one adult in the absence of the Rector.

In Zion church, Avon, on the evening of the 29th, I preached and confirmed seven persons.

On Saturday, the 30th, I had the gratification of consecrating to the service of Almighty God, the church edifice purchased by the congregation of East Bloomfield, greatly to their credit for piety and zeal, from the Universalist society, by the name of Zion church, the building having been greatly improved and beautified in the interior.

On this day also, I received into this Diocese the Rev. Philemon E. Coe, Deacon, from the Diocese of New York.

On Sunday, May 1st, I preached in St. John's church, Canandaigua, confirmed thirteen, and administered the Holy Communion, in the morning; and preached again in the afternoon.

On the 4th of May, I attended the meeting of the Education and Missionary Board of the Diocese, and also received from the Standing Committee the canonical recommendation of the Rev. Charles D. Cooper, and the Rev. Major A. Nickerson, Deacons, for the Holy Order of Priests.

In St. Mark's church, Penn Yan, Yates county, on Sunday, the 8th, I preached twice and confirmed fifteen persons.

May 10th, in the Baptist house, Montezuma, Cayuga county, I preached and confirmed twelve persons.

The next day, I preached in the Baptist house at Port Byron,

in the morning; and in the evening of the same day, in the Baptist house at *Jordan*, I baptized one adult, (by request of the Missionary,) preached, and confirmed two persons.

At Skaneateles, in St. James' church, on the 12th, I preached in the afternoon and evening, confirming at the fermer service eighteen persons.

At Moravia, in St. Matthew's church, on the 13th, I preached in the afternoon and confirmed five persons, and in the evening read prayers, when the Rev. Mr. Foote, of Homer, preached.

This church, I regret to state, took fire by accident and was burnt to the ground, on Saturday morning, the 14th of May. The energy of the people has led them to a vigorous effort to rebuild their fallen Zion, in which I earnestly trust they will be seconded by the zeal and liberality of the friends of the Church throughout the Diocese.

The congregation being small, and the people endowed with more devotedness to the Church, than wealth, the loss falls most heavily on them. Though frequently destitute of pastoral services, they have always kept the church open by lay-services, and once even for an interval of almost two years. They have recently erected a parsonage. Under these circumstances they merit, and I trust will receive the liberal countenance of their brethren in their new effort. May the blessing of God attend them!

I take occasion of this sad event, to remind the Wardens and Vestries of our churches generally of the importance of having their church edifices INSURED, and trust they will allow no delay to prevent their attending to this duty at once.

On the 14th, I preached at St. Paul's church, Autora; and on Whitsunday, the 15th, in St. Peter's church, Auburn, I admitted the Rev. Charles D. Cooper, Deacon, to the Holy Order of Priests, preached, and administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon I preached and confirmed fourteen persons.

On Friday, the 20th, in St. Paul's church, Waterloo, I pronounced the sentence of acquittal on the Rev. Washington Van Zandt, who

had been canonically presented, tried, and acquitted, on a charge affecting his moral and ministerial character.

On Sunday, the 22d, I preached twice in Zion church, Palmyra, administered the Communion, baptized one adult, and confirmed four persons, (one belonging to the church at Geneseo.)

On the 23d, I preached in the Union house at Pultacyville. In the burying ground west of this village, I had the melancholy satisfaction of visiting the grave of the lamented Davenport Phelps, the earliest Missionary of the Church in this section of the Diocese, who died June 27th, 1813, aged 57 years, and was buried in the village burying ground.

I preached in St. John's church, Sodus, on the 24th, and confirmed thirteen persons; and in the afternoon of the same day, I, preached in the school house at Sodus Point.

The next day, on my way to Martville, Cayuga county, I officiated at the town of Wolcott, in the Methodist house.

At Martville, on the 26th, I preached in the school house, and confirmed four persons, (one in private, sick.)

On Friday, the 27th, I consecrated St. Luke's church, West Granby, Oswego county, on which occasion I preached and administered the Holy Communion; and in the afternoon of the same day, I preached again and confirmed four persons. Great credit is due to the pious zeal and efforts which have produced for this infant congregation a suitable and appropriate edifice.

In Fulton, I officiated in the as yet unfinished edifice of Zion church, on the 28th of May.

I preached twice in Christ church, Oswego, on the 29th, confirming sixteen persons, (one in private.)

On the 31st, in Christ church, Sacket's Harbor, Jefferson county, I baptized one adult, and four children, (by request of the Rector) preached twice, administered the Holy Communion, and confirmed in the evening six persons.

I arrived at Cape Vincent, June 1, and in the evening I baptized the infant child of the Missionary, and preached, and the next day,

June 2d, I consecrated the new church edifice by the name of St. John's church—a chaste and beautiful building, reflecting great credit on the piety, zeal, and perseverance of that infant congregation. I preached in the afternoon, and confirmed nineteen persons. On Saturday the 4th, I preached and confirmed seven persons in All Saints church, Dexter, and in the afternoon of the same day I preached in Christ church, Brownville, and confirmed five persons.

Sunday, the 5th, I spent at Watertown, where in Trinity church, I preached twice, confirming in the afternoon fifty-four persons. It is a striking illustration of the growth of the Church here, that fifteen years ago there were but nine Episcopalians in the place. At present they have about 150 communicants.

I preached at Adams, Jefferson county, in the Presbyterian house, on Monday afternoon the 6th; and on the morning of the 7th, I baptized, by request of the Missionary, his infant child with two other children, and preached.

I preached on Sunday, the 12th, in Geneva.

I attended, in New York, the opening meeting of the Board of Missions, but the pressure of my Diocesan engagements prevented my remaining through all its session, and also from being present at the meetings of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

Sunday, the 26th of June, I spent at Rome, where in Zion church, I preached, confirmed five persons, and administered the Holy Communion, in the morning; and preached and baptized two infants in the afternoon. This church, vacant by the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Lockwood, has been supplied by the services of the Rev. Stephen H. Battin, Deacon.

I preached in St. Paul's church, Holland Patent, on the 27th; and on the evening of the same day, in St. Peter's church, Oriskany, where I confirmed three persons.

I visited the De Lancey Institute at Hampton on the 28th, and preached in the Methodist house in that village.

Hobart Hall is now under the charge of the Rev. Marcus A. Perry, through whose talents and learning its character as a use-

ful institution for education and the Church it is hoped will be preserved.

The De Lancey Institute has just commenced its career under favorable auspices, and from its position and local advantages and the known efficiency and talents of its Principal, will doubtless soon raise itself to a high stand among similar institutions in the state.

On the 29th, I preached in the afternoon in the Presbyterian house at Clinton, and also at a later hour in St. Paul's church, Paris Hill.

On the 30th, I preached in the Baptist house at Waterville, and confirmed four persons. The new chapel in this village not being yet completed, I was compelled to postpone the consecration of it until after the Convention.

July 1st, I preached in the chapel at Bridgewater.

July 2d, I preached and confirmed nineteen persons in St. Stephen's church, New Hartford.

July 3d, I preached, confirmed eleven persons, and administered the Holy Communion in Grace church, Utica; in the afternoon of the same day, I baptized the infant child of the Rector and confirmed twelve persons, in Trinity church, Utica; and in the evening, preached in the same church.

On the 5th, I had the gratification of consecrating to the worship of Almighty God, the beautiful temple in which we are now assembled, on which occasion I preached, and subsequently confirmed one sick person in private.

On Wednesday, the 6th, I preached, confirmed eleven persons, and administered the Holy Communion in the church of the Ascension, Liverpool; and preached in the afternoon of the same day, in Apostolic church, Geddes.

I preached and confirmed three persons on the 7th, in St. John's church, Marcellus.

On the 8th, I preached and confirmed two persons in Christ church, Pompey; and preached again in the afternoon, in St. Mark's church, Jamesville.

Sunday morning, the 10th, I preached and confirmed three in Trinity church, Fayetteville; and in the afternoon, I preached and confirmed four in Christ church, Manlius.

On Monday, I preached in the Methodist house at Cazenovia, Madison county.

On the 12th, I preached and confirmed three persons in St. Stephen's church, Perryville; and in the afternoon of the same day, I preached in the Presbyterian house at Hamilton, and confirmed five persons.

On the 13th, I preached and confirmed three persons in Christ church, Sherburne, Chenango county; and again in the afternoon, I preached and confirmed four persons in Emanuel church, Norwich.

On the 14th, I preached morning and afternoon in St. Paul's church, Oxford, confirming ten persons in the morning. This church edifice, having been removed to a more eligible site, is now undergoing extensive repairs.

I regret to be compelled to state that the Rev. Leverett Bush, D. D., the long loved, faithful, and laborious Rector of this church, has been constrained by chronic disease to discontinue the exercise of his office, and to resign the Rectorship of the church. He is succeeded by the Rev. Thomas Towell, under whose ministry the congregation has resumed its vigor.

I preached twice on the 15th, in Zion church, Greene, and confirmed in the morning nineteen persons. It affords me much pleasure to record, that in this zealous and well ordered parish, the Vestry are engaged in erecting a convenient parsonage for the residence of their Rector.

I preached and confirmed two persons on the 16th, in the Presbyterian house at Chenango Forks.

Sunday, the 17th, I spent at *Binghamton*, where in the morning, I preached and administered the Holy Communion, and in the afternoon preached and confirmed nineteen persons.

On the 18th, I preached in the Methodist house at Windsor, in the morning; and in the afternoon, took some preliminary steps towards organizing an Episcopal congregation, at the desire of sundry persons friendly to such a measure in that village. The Church has wince been fully organized under the direction of the Rev. John V. Van Ingen, and placed under his charge for the present.

I preached and confirmed eight persons in St. Luke's church, Harpersville, on the 19th; and in the afternoon of the same day, I preached in the Baptist house at South Bainbridge.

At Bainbridge, on the 20th, I confirmed one person in private, and also preached and confirmed ten persons in St. Peter's church.

At Coventry, in the Presbyterian house, on the 21st, I preached and confirmed one person; and in the afternoon of the same day, at Oxford (on my way to Guilford) I confirmed a sick person in private.

On the 22d, I preached and confirmed two persons in Christ church, Guilford.

On the same day, I received into this Diocese the Rev. David M. Fackler, on a letter of dismission from the Bishop of Virginia.

I preached in Grace church, Mount Upton, on the 23d.

On Sunday, the 24th, I preached twice in St. Andrews church, New Berlin, administering the Holy Communion in the morning, and confirming twenty-eight persons in the afternoon.

On the 25th, I preached in the Baptist house at Burlington, Otsego county, in the Diocese of New York, on the request of the Missionary of that station.

I preached twice in Trinity church, Geneva, on the 31st, and confirmed four persons.

On the 3d of August, I attended the commencement of Geneva College, which continues to sustain a high character for sound, efficient, and faithful teaching, eminently deserving of praise and patronage.

I again most earnestly commend the College to the countenance and support of all the churchmen of the Diocese, as being, in my opinion, very nearly allied to its best interests, in supplying the means of adequate education for our youth generally, and of sound and thorough preliminary instruction for our Theological students in particular.

On the 7th, I administered the Holy Communion, baptized one

infant, and preached twice in St. John's church, Canandaigue.

On the 11th, I received into this Diocese the Rev. Edward Ingersoll, from the Diocese of New York. He has taken charge, as Rector, of St. Michael's church, Geneseo.

On the 14th, I held a confirmation and preached in Trinity church, Seneca Falls, and confirmed five persons; and in the afternoon of the same day, preached again in St. Paul's church, Waterloo.

On the 16th, I received into this Diocese the Rev. Stephen H. Battin, Deacon, from the Diocese of New York; and the Rev. Charles I. Todd, from the Diocese of Connecticut.

These services terminated my labors for the conventional year.

The following is a summary of my labors since the last Convention: I have officiated in 74 organized parishes, and in 13 places where the Church is not organized, (in 10 parishes I have preached at two different times, and in some oftener,) in all in 87 places. Baptized 13 infants and 5 adults, in all 18; Ordained 1 Deacon and 1 Priest; Consecrated 8 new Church edifices; Admitted 9 new Candidates for Orders; Received 9 Clergymen into the Diocese; Transferred 3 Clergymen to other Dioceses; Preached 163 times, (132 in the Diocese and 31 elsewhere;) Solemnized 2 marriages; Administered the Holy Communion 18 times; Confirmed 646 persons in 62 congregations; and travelled in discharging my varions duties 4,525 miles.

My labors have been every where cheered by a cordial reception, and by devout and large congregations of listeners to the word of truth.

In the large number confirmed, being more than one-sixth greater than reported to any former Convention; in the pains and care taken generally by the clergy in preparing the candidates for confirmation; in the increased observance of the solemn seasons of the Church; in the earnest and widening attention which considerate and reflecting minds are bestowing upon the claims of the Church, and the obligations of Christian people to conform to its requirements; in the active faithfulness of so many of the clergy; and in the more devoted and earnest feeling of piety and attachment to the Church of Christ, which is perva-

ding our communion: I cannot but discern with humble gratitude to God, the evidences of His blessing, without whom Paul labors and Apollos plants in vain.

Besides the changes recounted in the preceding record, the following are to be stated.

The Rev. J. M. Bartlett has become the Missionary at Pierrepont Manor.

The Rev. W. W. Hickox is Missionary at Fayetteville and Pompey, which have been united into a station.

The Rev. John Noble has resigned the charge of Christ church, Sackett's Harbor.

The Rev. W. W. Bostwick, having resigned the station at Hammondsport and Wayne, is succeeded there by the Rev. P. E. Cos, Déacon.

The Rev. N. F. Bruce has been appointed to the new Missionary station composed of Dansville, Hornellsville, Cuba, and Phillipsville. He is succeeded at Honeoye Falls by the Rev. Heary Lockwood.

The Rev. S. H. Battis, Deacon, has been called to the charge of Zion church, Rome, as Missionary.

The Rev. Asa Griswold has resigned the station at Guilford and Mount Upton.

The Rev. Wm. E. Eigenbrodt has resigned St. Peter's church, Bainbridge, and has accepted the charge of Grace church, Rochester.

The Rev. Lloyd Windsor has resigned St. Michael's church, Geneseo, and become Rector of Grace church, Lockport.

The Rev. O. P. Holoomb has become Rector of Christ church, Lockport, vacant by the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Cressey.

The Rev. Stephen C. Millett has become the Missionary at Stafford, Genesee county.

The Rev. P. R. Chipman'is now Missionary at Centrefield and East Bloomfield, Ontario county.

The Rev. Liberty A. Barrows has removed from Norwich to

Sherburne, and is succeeded at the former place by the Rev. David M. Fackler.

The Rev. Thomas Towell has taken charge of St. Paul's church, Oxford, vacant by the resignation of the Rev. Dr. Bush, on account of ill health.

The Rev. John W. Clark, Deacon, is the Missionary at Sodus, Sodus Point, and Pultneyville.

The Rev. A. C. Treadway is the Missionary at Fulton and West Granby, Oswego county.

The. Rev. G. B. Engle has entered the service of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

The Rev. James Sunderland has resigned the church at Bridgewater, which is now connected with Waterville, under the care of the Rev. F. C. Brown.

The Rev. Stephen McHugh has resigned Holland Patent, and, retaining charge of St. Peter's church, Oriskany, is now Principal of the De Lancey Institute at Hampton, where also a new church has been organized. He is succeeded in the charge of Hobart Hall and of St. Paul's church, Holand Patent, by the Rev. Marcus A. Perry.

The Rev. Humphrey Hollis has removed from Olean to the Missionary station at Mayville.

The Rev. C. I. Todd has taken charge of the Missionary station, consisting of Brockport, Clarkson, and Kendall.

I record with emotions of sincere regard for his memory, the death of the Rev. John P. Fenner, whose short residence and labors in this Diocese, had endeared him to all who knew him, and could estimate Christian piety, unostentatious zeal, and faithful labors, patience under sufferings, and humble devotedness to God.

Nine new candidates for Holy Orders, have been admitted since

the last Convention, and the whole number in the Diocese is seventeen. Their names are as follows, viz:

Edward D. Kennicott, ad	lmitte	edOct., 1839.
Mason Gallagher,	"	June, 1840.
Benjamin W. Whicher,	"	June, 1840.
Charles E. Van Anden,	66	June, 1840.
Edward De Zeng,	"	Nov. 1840.
Edward Cooper,	44	June, 1841.
Daniel Pease, jr.,	"	June, 1841.
Henry Stanly,	44	Aug., 1841.
Rufus M. White,	"	Oct., 1841.
Charles H. Platt,	66	Oct., 1841.
Henry L. Low,	"	Oct., 1841.
Clarence Walworth,	"	Aug., 1842.
Walter Ayrault,	"	Aug., 1842.
John H. Allen,	46	Aug., 1842.
Gardner M. Skinner,	66	Aug., 1842.
John N. Norton,	"	Aug., 1842.
Charles E. Phelps,	66	Aug., 1842.

Of these, I purpose, God willing, to ordain Mr. Kennicott during this month, and Mr. De Zeng in the spring of the next year.

The whole number of clergy in the Diocese canonically connected with it is 103, consisting of 1 Bishop, 91 Presbyters, and 11 Deacons. Of this number, 7 are engaged in the instruction of youth, 2 are in the service of the Domestic Committee of the General Missionary Society, 5 are on the list of disabled clergy, 2 are prevented by age or sickness from parochial labors, but sustain themselves. The rest are either in actual service, or seeking to be so engaged.

Five new church edifices are in progress of erection, viz: at Geneva, Buffalo, Waterville, Martville, and Moravia.

The churches at Ithaca, Oswego, New Hartford, Oxford, and Sackett's Harbor, have been repaired and improved; and Grace church, Utica, enlarged.

I have given my consent to the organization of new congregations at Windsor, Broome county; Hampton, Oneida county; and Stafford, Genesee county.

In regard to the Missionary operations of the Diocese, the Report of the Education and Missionary Board will present the details. It will be seen from it that though the contributions of the Diocese are about the same as last year, the sum of \$4,640 having been received by the Treasurers of the Diocese (inclusive of \$973.15 to the Christmas Fund) yet that these contributions do not bear any just proportion to the wants or to the ability of the Diocese. I most earnestly exhort both the Clergy and Laity to give their immediate and earnest attention to this topic. Nothing but a due sense of the solemn obligation of Christian liberality to the institutions of the Church of Christ, steadily cherished by all the congregations of the Diocese, will enable us to meet the urgent and affecting claims of our brethren for aid through the several institutions of the Church.

Not only our own Diocese, where most touching appeals are constantly made to me to send our Missionaries to new positions, or to aid feeble stations; but the Church at large appeals to us for our individual and collective exertions to promote her growth and good. Her Missions, her Seminary, her Sunday Schools, all demand our prayers and our contributions. Let us be found faithful in our respective spheres, and with God's blessing we shall reap an hundred fold in turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, in advancing the Church of Christ and glorifying the God of our salvation.

It affords no slight gratification to record the recent bequest by Miss Sarah Northrop, of Oriskany, of one hundred dollars to the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergy, and of several other sams to the Institutions of the Diocese and of the Church at large. May the Lord open the hearts of His people to multiply such acts of pious liberality!

The late Miss Sarah Northrop, of Oriskany, whose death was noticed in the Measurger in November last, and to whose deceased father, Judge Northrop, the church in that village is greatly indebted, left by her will the following legacies, which are not only worthy of respectful record, but which should move by the example many sthere to do likewise. Miss N. was not more ardent in her desire to advance the temporal interests of the Church, than she was in her regard for the distinguishing doctrines of our faith, which she well understood and highly adomed in a humble and consistent walk and conversation. These are the items of her liberality as contained in her will, bearing date in September, 1841, viz:

To the Domestic branch of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, 2600.00
To the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen in Western New York, 160.60
To Protestant Episcopal Missions and Education in Western New York, 100.60
To the Central Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, 100.60
To the Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, 100.00

Among matters of general interest to the Diocese, I would suggest that as the law under which our congregations are organized requires certain acts to be performed by the Senior Warden of the Church, and as no uniform and settled usage determines which of the two Wardens is the Senior Warden, it would be expedient in the election of Wardens and Vestries always to designate on the ballots the name of the Senior Warden. This will settle the question in the easiest and most effectual way, by a direct reference of it to the constituency.

Since we last met we have had to lament, in sympathy with a sister Diocese, the death of the Rt. Rev. Richard Channing Moore, venerable alike for age, piety, and Christian worth, a good man, a devoted Christian, and a zealous Bishop.

The Church in this Diocese, I am happy to state, continues to hold herself free from entangling alliances with the exciting movements of the day, pursuing her path of duty in turning men to righteousness under the guidance of the wise provisions of the Gospel and Church of Christ, adapted as they are, not to this age or that, but to all ages;—not to one or two points of moral reformation, but to all: not to making men better citizens only, but to rendering them fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God; to raising them from the death of sin to the life of righteousness.

It will continue to require firmness and patience on the part of the Clergy,—the wisdom of the serpent with the harmlessness of the dove,—in thus standing by the great landmarks of Gospel duty and obligation in this matter, and in maintaining the superior wisdom of Divine appointments for the reformation and salvation of men. And let us cherish the faith that strength will be imparted in times to come, as it has been in times past for these emergencies.

Three years and three months have elapsed since the commencement of my Episcopal labors in the Diocese, and with humble gratitude to Him who alone giveth the increase we may record—

That the clergy have increased in number from 76 to 103;

That 14 new congregations (including the four applications to this Convention) have been organized and admitted into union with the Convention;

That 13 new church edifices have been consecrated;

That 2,088 persons have been confirmed;

That provision has been made to assist 5 clergymen, disabled, by age, sickness, or infirmity, from labor;

That a well adjusted system of collections for the various objects of Church benevolence has been put in operation, by which the contributions of the Diocese have been increased fourfold;

That about 3,000 Prayer Books, besides Bibles and Tracts to a large amount, have been distributed within its limits;

That 5 Deacons and 11 Priests have been ordained in this Diocese;

That the candidates for Holy Orders have increased from one to seventeen, of whom fifteen have had the advantage of a college education;

That all the Churches in the Diocese have been visited by me twice, except two, one of which has a mere nominal existence; and that fifty of them have been visited three times;

That unbroken peace and harmony have prevailed, and continue to prevail throughout the Diocese; and that so far as human eye can discern, there has been a proportionate advance in the higher department of spiritual religion, and of enlightened attachment to the Cross and Church of Christ.

Hitherto hath the Lord helped us, and to His name be all the glory.

I have thus submitted to you such matters as the interests and condition of the Diocese appear to me to demand. Let us thank God and take courage in devoting ourselves with all the energy of soul and body, to the great interests of Gospel truth, Gospel order and Gospel holiness, in humble dependence upon the merits of Him whose we are, and whom we serve. May His Spirit guide and bless us in our present deliberations and future labors!

William H. De Lancey.

The House then proceeded to the election of a Treasurer of the Convention, and a Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled

Clergymen. A vote by ballot having in both cases been dispensed with,

Charles Seymour, Esq.,
was unanimously elected Treasurer of the Convention, and
Major James Rees,

unanimously elected Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen.

The Rev. Mr. M'Carty from the Special Committee on the subject of "Churches which may be regarded as having lost their union with this Convention," made the following

#### REPORT:

The Committee appointed at the last meeting of the Convention of this Diocese, to consider and report the circumstances under which a Church admitted into union with this body shall be regarded as having lost that relation, and no longer entitled to representation, and to propose some constitutional provision adapted to the same, beg leave to submit the following report:

That as the 3d article of the Constitution declares the Lay representation in this Convention shall be composed of "Lay members consisting of one or more delegates not exceeding 3 from each church," which the connection obliges us to understand, of Churches in union with this body, a constitutional provision might be necessary to deprive a Church of a lay representation, whilst in union with the Convention, as was contemplated by the 16th of the proposed canons submitted at the annual meeting in 1840, still the end in view, (viz.) to declare when a Church shall be regarded as having forfeited its relation to the convention, and as a consequence, having lost the right of representation, the committee are of opinion, may be obtained by the canon they have proposed, and which is hereunto annexed. There is no provision in the constitution relating to the admission of Churches into union with this body, neither to the continuance of the union, or the privileges growing out of the same; but they are received into union by a vote of the Convention, regulated by the 4th canon, entitled, " of the admission of Churches into union," &c. As the connection of Churches with this ecclesiastical body, arises from the exercise of its ordinary powers of legislation, according to a canon, and not from any constitutional provision, it follows that the Convention, in the exercise of the same power, regulated in the same way, (by canon) may declare the circumstances which shall induce a forfeiture of the relation, involving, as a consequence, the right of representation, dependent on that relationship. It is to be observed, the annexed canon does not take away the right of representation of a church having an existing union with this Convention, like the proposed canon before referred to, but declares when that union shall be dissolved, and the Church cease to be a member of this body.

The following are the reasons for the canon which the committee propose. It seems to them but just and proper, that a Church which has failed to comply with the regulations of the Diocese, in the important particulars mentioned in the canon, and that for so long a period, should thereby forfeit its connection with the convention, the laws of which it has violated or neglected. When a Church has so failed to conform to the

regulations of the Convention, it may justly be regarded as extinct, as far as the calls of its union with the Diocese are concerned; and this committee believe, that very rarely, will any Church so neglect its duty, until it has in reality ceased to be a living member of the body.

As there may be instances of Churches which have become dormant, if not extinct it is important there should be some canonical provision, declaring when they shall be regarded as no longer members of this body. Without this, Churches, which have become extinct, must from year to year be recorded in the list of churches belonging to the Diocese, called at every meeting of the Convention, and reported in the Journals as having neglected to make any parochial report; and what is more important, without such a provision, churches that have failed to comply with the canons of the Diocese, and to perform their duties as members of the same, when a Bishop is to be elected, or other business of special interest transacted, may still have the same voice in the election or other proceedings of the Convention, however important, as churches who have always maintained their connection with this body, and obeyed its laws; and we may reasonably anticipate, that as union with the convention and the right of representation are valued, a provision like that proposed will have the good effect of making churches more careful to maintain their connection with the Diocese, by performing the required duties.

All just complaint, of the operation of the canon is avoided, by the provision in it, allowing the re-admission of such Churches as have preserved their legal corporate existence, on a representation satisfactory to the Convention.

JOHN McCARTY, Chairman.

They propose the following as an additional

#### CANON.

## "Of Churches forfeiting their Union with this Convention."

Every Church in union with this Convention, is at all times bound to comply with the canon and regulations of the Diocese; and whenever any Church, in union with this Convention, shall have neglected for three years to make a parochial report, no missionary report being made in its behalf, and during the same period shall not have employed a clergyman as its parish minister, nor obtained the services of a missionary, nor made the stated monthly collections as required by canon XIV of this Diocese, such Church shall be regarded as having forfeited its relation to this Convention, and no longer entitled to representation therein, and the Bishop shall report such forfeiture to the Convention in his annual address; but any such Church may be re-admitted into such union, on the recommendation of the Bishop, and by a resolution of the Convention, on its own application, accompanied by a report of its condition satisfactory on the points above mentioned, and with proper evidence that it has preserved its legal existence, and such re-admission shall take effect from and after the rising of the Convention which shall have agreed to the same.

# On motion of David Hudson, Esq.,

Resolved, That the proposed additional canon be referred to a committee consisting of two Presbyters and two Laymen, with instructions to report thereon at the opening of the Convention to-morsew massing.

The Chair named the Rev. Dr. Hale, Rev. Mr. Windsor, Messrs. Isaac T. Minard, and S. A. Goodwin, to constitute that committee.

Mr. David Hudson then gave notice of his intention to move tomorrow morning the consideration of the proposed additional Canon.

The Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen presented his report, which, under the 6th rule of order, was referred to the Standing Committee on the subject.

On motion,

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to report tomorrow morning on the subject of the unfinished business of the last Convention.

The Chair named the Rev. Mr. Croswell, the Rev. Dr. Shelton, and the Rev. Mr. Irving to constitute that committee.

The Convention then adjourned to nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

# THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 18, 9 o'clock.

The Convention met. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Edward Andrews, D. D., assisted by the Rev. Lloyd Windsor, who read the lessons; after which the Bishop took the Chair.

At the calling of the roll the following clergyman, not present yesterday, answered to his name, viz: Rev. Edward Ingersoll.

Also the following lay deputies appeared and took their seats:

DEPUTIES.

COUNTIES. CHURCHES.

Jefferson......Trinity, Watertown.....A. Tubbs.
Steuben......St. Thomas', Bath......Elisha Hempsted.

The minutes of yesterday's meeting were read and approved.

The 20th Rule of Order was then, on motion, suspended for one hour, to receive the report of the committee on the admission of Churches into union with the Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Hawks, from said committee, presented the following

#### REPORT:

The Committee "on the admission of Churches into Union with the Convention," respectfully report,

That they have had before them four applications, viz:

St. Paul's Church, Stafford, Genesce county. Gethsomane Church, Westmoreland, Oneida county.

Christ Church, Jordan, Onondaga county.

St. John's Church, Cape Vincent, Jefferson county.

The two first named have thoroughly complied with the provisions of Canon IV. and are therefore entitled to admission.

The two last it will be remembered, applied for admission at the last Convention. It was then resolved that they were legally incorporated, but an after resolution declared that as they had not complied with Canon IV. Section 2, (which calls for the minutes of the meeting or meetings for organization) they could not be received into Union. Christ Church, Jordan, Onondaga county, having now produced those minutes, is entitled to admission. The Committee regret that St. John's Church, Cape Vincent, Jefferson county, having again failed to present those minutes, cannot under the Canon be admitted.

They therefore submit the following:-

Resolved, That St. Paul's Church, Stafford, Genesee county, Gethsemane Church, Westmoreland, Oneida county, and Christ Church, Jordan, Onondaga county, be admitted into Union with this Convention.

CICERO S. HAWRS, JOSEPH BENEDICT, DAVID HUDSON,

On motion, the resolution recommended in this report was adopted.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Hawks,

Resolved unanimously, That section second of Canon IV, be temporarily suspended.

On motion of the same,

Resolved, That St. John's Church, Cape Vincent, Jefferson county, be admitted into union with this Convention.

The Standing Committee on the accounts of the Treasurer of the Christmas Fund, made the following

### REPORT:

The Standing Committee on the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, to whom was referred the account of the Treasurer of said Fund, do certify and report:

That they have carefully examined such account and compared it with the vouchers and find the same correct.

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On motion of Mr. Henry E. Rochester,

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Resolved, That the recommendations contained in the above report be adopted.

The Standing Committee on the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention, presented the same, audited as follows:

## REPORT:

The Convention of the Diocese of Western New York, in account with Charles Seymour, Treasurer.

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                         of Central New York, -
             " — " Balance for Domestic Missions,
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                                              CHARLES SEYMOUR, Treasurer.
   Canandaigus, August 17, 1842.
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The Standing Committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer, respectfully Report,

That they have carefully performed the duty assigned to them, and find said accounts entirely correct and agreeing with the vouchers.

WM. C. PIERREPONT, Committee.
H. K. Sanger,

Syracuse, August 18th, 1842.

Rev. Dr. Hale, from the committee to whom had been referred the report of the committee on the subject of Churches which may be regarded as having forfeited connection with this Convention, reported the following

#### CANON:

# Of Churches losing their Connexion with the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese.

Whenever hereafter any Church in union with this Convention, shall neglect, for three years in succession, to make a parochial report, no missionary report being made in its behalf; and during the same period shall not employ a clergyman as its parish minister, nor obtain the service of a missionary; nor make the stated monthly collections, as required by Canon XIV of this Diocese: such Church shall be regarded as having forfeited its connexion with the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese, and be no longer entitled to representation in the Convention thereof: and the Bishop shall report such Church to the Convention in his annual address:—but any such Church may be readmitted into such connexion on the recommendation of the Bishop, and by a resolution of the Convention, and such readmission shall take effect from and after the rising of the Convention, which shall have agreed to the same.

This Canon was unanimously adopted by the Convention, the two orders concurring therein, by separate vote.

The following lay deputy appeared and took his seat:

county.

church.

DEPUTY.

Onondaga.....Zion, Onondaga Hill.....Charles Hessey.

The time for that purpose having arrived, the House then proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and Deputies to the General Convention, by one ballot as directed by section 2 of canon xii. The Rev. Messrs. Van Ingen and Patterson being named by the President of the Convention as Tellers to receive the votes of the Clergy, and Messrs. Benedict and Cooke, to receive the votes of the Laity.

On counting the votes it appeared, that the following named per-

sons had received a majority of all the votes given, and were therefore declared to be duly elected.

#### STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. J. C. Rudd, D. D.,

"Benjamin Hale, D. D.,

"William Shelton, D. D.,

Prof. H. Webster,

" William Croswell,

DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Rev. P. A. Proal, D. D.

"Henry Gregory,
"John V. Van Ingen,
"James A. Bolles.

Messrs. Jonas Earll, Jr.,
C. H. Carroll,
G. B. Webster,
D. Hudson.

On motion

Resolved, That the following blank form of Parochial Peport be adopted, instead of that adopted by the Convention of the Diocese in the year, 1839.

## PAROCHIAL REPORT.

To the Rt. Rev. WILLIAM H. DR LANCRY, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Western New York.

REPORT of the Parish of

Church, in

in the county of

for the year ending

184 .

Major J. Reese.

Church, County, Rector. CONGREGATION. Fundices, (Adults, Children): Total number of Individuals BAPTISMS. Adults , Infants : Total CONTIRMED. COMMUNICARYS. (Admitted, Received): Tetal added; Died, Removed: Present number MARRIAGES BURIALA. Public Services. On Sundays, On other days: Total number of Services CHILDREN CATEGORED. Number of Children , Number of Times . SUBDAY SCHOOLS. Number of Schools , Teachers, (Male , Female ); Total : Pupils, (Male , Female ); Total . THE MONTHLY COLLECTIONS, required by Canon XIV., here been made and appropriated as follows:

For Diocesan Missions,

"Education,

Expenses of the Convention,

Bibles and Prayer Books,

Tracts,

Increase of the Episcopate Fund,

General Fund for Church Objects,

Total,

The following sums have also been collected for other object, viz.:

For Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,....

- " Theological Seminary,.....
- " the Board of Missions of the Protestant
  Episcopal Church in the U.S.:
  Domestic Missions.....
- Foreign Missions,.....

  " Parochial Objects,.....

Total, \$

REMARKS:---

The Rev. Mr. Croswell, from the committee on unfinished business, reported that the only unfinished business of the last Convention is the proposed amendment of the Constitution on page 52 of the Journal of the last Convention.

Resolved, That the House do now proceed to the consideration of this subject.

After discussion, a majority of both orders concurring therein, by separate vote, it was

Resolved, That the proposed amendment be and hereby is adopted, as follows:

#### ARTICLE IX.

"No alteration in or addition to the Canons shall be made during the session of the Convention in which the same shall be proposed, unless two-thirds of both orders shall concur therein; and the said alterations or additions, if approved by a majority of the Convention, shall lay over for the consideration and the final action of the next annual Convention."

The Treasurer of the Convention then presented the following special

#### REPORT:

The Treasurer of the Convention of the Diocese of Western New York, to whom was referred for adjustment with William S. Philpot, Esq., late Treasurer of the Convention, two items of \$100 each, which to the committee appointed by the last annual Convention to examine the accounts of Mr. Philpot, appeared to require some explanation, reports:

That the appearance of a discrepancy in the accounts rendered by the late Treasurer, to this Convention, arose from a misapprehension of the plan of the account itself, which the author of it was not present to point out, and that a moment's explanation from him, showed a perfect and satisfactory balance.

CHA'S SEYMOUR, Treasurer.

August 17, 1842.

Resolved, That the accounts of Mr. Philpot, as presented to the last Convention, are perfectly satisfactory.

The resolution contained in the above report was unanimously adopted.

On motion of the Treasurer of the Convention, Resolved, That it be the duty of the Treasurer hereafter, to report to this Convention the state of his accounts up to the first day of the month of August in each year.

Mr. Henry E. Rochester offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That such legislative, or canonical provision, be made as may hereafter be found requisite to preserve legal evidence of the official acts of the Bishop of the Diocese, and of clergymen having no parochial cure, the Bishop, with the consent of the Rector and Vestry of Trinity Church, Geneva, make a record of his official acts in the parish Register of said Church; and that clergymen, having no parochial cure, record their official acts, with like consent, in the Register of the Parish, wherein such acts are performed.

On motion of Mr. Henry E. Rochester,

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to omit in the published proceedings of this body, the tabular statement of the statistics usually appended to the journal, as the same appear in the several Parochial Reports.

The Bishop in behalf of the Standing Committee, as the Education and Missionary Board of the Diocese, presented the following

#### REPORT:

The Education and Missionary Board present to the Convention their annual report, with humble expressions of gratitude to the Divine Head of the Church, for enabling them to sustain so extended an establishment during another year, under circumstances of such general embarrassment.

In pursuance of the plan rendered imperative by the diminution of the funds from New-York, and announced in the report of last year, a number of the missionary parishes were put upon the half stipend list. It will be necessary to increase the number, by pursuing the same course in regard to some other parishes, for the ensuing year. A complete list of the stations and missionaries for the year, commencing Oct. 1st, 1842, will be appended to the Journal.

The whole number of missionaries at present, is 43, and of stations 50. The whole number of clergymen employed for a longer or shorter period, during the year, is 47. The actual expense of our missionary establishment, during the year, inclusive of liabilities to 1st Oct'r next, is about \$5,000.

Exertions have been made to introduce the services of the Church, under an immediate or future organization, at

The spiritual results of the labors of the missionaries, it is impossible to estimate. In the missionary parishes, there have been confirmed 213 since the last Convention, and so far as statistics can show such results in other respects, they will appear more fully in the Parochial reports to the Convention.

The committee regret to state that the funds of the Diocese show the effects of the times, in a diminution of the contributions of the several churches to the benevolent objects of the Diocese. The whole sum, exclusive of parochial objects, collected in the Diocese, from all sources and for all purposes, general and Diocesan, which has passed through the hands of the officers of the Diocese, is about \$4,640. This sum includes \$973.15 collected for the Christmas Fund for disabled clergymen. Besides this, considerable sums find their way to the general institutions of the church without passing through the Diocesan Treasurers, amounting, as far as can be ascertained, to about \$600.

The customary list of the churches and collections, is appended to this report.

The present balance in the hands of the Treasurer, is about \$2.400, a considerable portion of which will be applicable to payments due on the 1st of October, to missionaries and beneficiaries belonging to the Diocese. The number of beneficiaries is the same as last year; one wholly sustained by the Diocese, and seven others aided by funds in the other Diocese, and prosecuting their studies at college or in the General Seminary.

In consequence of the embarrassments of the Education and Missionary Society in New York, the whole amount due this year from that Society to our Diocese, has not been paid, but an arrangement made by which this Diocese will receive one thousand dollars per annum during this year and the two following years, after which, aid from that quarter will wholly cease.

The deficit in the receipts from the Diocese of New York, forbade all attempts to apply the proceeds of the permanent Missionary funds to the purpose of employment of travelling missionaries, as was suggested in the last report, the interest of that fund being expected to be essential to the current purposes of the Board. The investment of that fund remains as when it was first received, and the Treasurer has submitted his annual report to the Board, from which it appears that he has received, (inclusive of interest accumulated before his appointment,) the sum of \$1,039.75, which sum has been paid over by him to the Treasurer of the Diocese, and applied to missionary purposes.

It will be seen by the Treasurer's report what churches have made collections, and those which failed to forward any thing. Some of the latter are unsupplied with clerical services and most of them very weak; still the Board think something should be done, even by the weakest parish, towards this object. The Convention will perceive that a most vigorous and steady effort will be necessary to enable us to sustain and enlarge our missionary operations in the Diocese. The burden now is great indeed. Still there is zeal, energy, and wealth enough in the Diocese for all its enterprises. Shall the liberal hand be wanting in those, who, surrounded by the richest temporal and spiritual mercies, cannot fail to appreciate the force of an appeal to the best and holiest feelings of the Christian bosom? It is the claim of the church of our love—the church of our Lord and Master—the church of the living God.

All of which is respectfully submitted, by order of the Board.

W. H. DE LANCEY, Chairman.

Resolved, That the above report be inserted at length in the Journal.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Murray,

Resolved, unanimously, That the members of this Convention concur with the Bishop of the Diocese in the views expressed in his address in relation to the defective organization of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Church: and that they respectfully recommend that part of the Address to the special attention of the clergy and laity throughout the Diocese.

The Special Committee, to whom was referred the report of Trustees of the Episcopate Fund, presented the following

#### REPORTS:

Second Annual Report of the Trustees for the management and care of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Diocese of Western New York, to the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the said Diocese, in their Fifth Annual Convention.

The receipts, by the said corporation, have been as follows, on the \$35,500 under its charge:

on their above bond,	1,032 50 210 00
4 6,000,	210 00
	on their above bond,

The disbursements have been as follows:

1841.	Nov. 1.—	Paid	Bishop	De Lan	cey,		•	-	•	<b>\$1,032</b> 50	
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In addition to the above account, which is thus balanced, the corporation hold for accumulation as follows:

1841.	—An Sep. 27.—Re	nount in Utic ceived from	a Savings I Charles Sej	Bank, as by rmour, Esq	last an ., Treas	nual rurer. f	eport, or the	<b>\$</b> 191 <b>32</b>
•	•	increase of			•	•	•	54 85
1843.	Jan. 1.—Int	erest receive	d from said	Savings Be	nk,	•	• •	4 78
44	July 1.—	4 4	64 66	4 -	٠ .	•	• •	6 84

Total amount of the Fund reserved for accumulation, \$284 54

Since the last annual report, the Corporation has consummated the arrangement by which the Mesers. Townsend & Brothers were to give collateral securities on real estate to the amount of \$9,500, on the loan held by them of \$29,500. The collateral securities consist of the mortgages referred to in the report made to the Convention Aug. 18, 1841, by the former trustees, and to be found in page 39 of the published proceedings of the Convention of 1841, to wit: A mortgage on 700 series of land in Ontario county, and on a house lot on 9th street, in the city of New York. The depreciation of property, however, still continues; and as \$29,500 is a large sum

ef money to be loaned in one parcel, and ought to be secured in the most smple manner, the Corporation, in the month of February last, notified the Mesers. Townsends to pay on the first of September next, \$5000 of the principal of their said debt. By the original arrangement, six months notice was necessary before a payment could be exacted, and hence so distant a day was prescribed, as the first of September. The Mesers Townsends have again proposed an increase of collateral securities, to the extent of the said \$5000, instead of payment; and the Corporation will probably accede to the proposition, as security was the only object of a reduction of the debt. Some progress is already made in perfecting the said securities, and, indeed, titles and vouchers to the required amount have been delivered to the Corporation, who now hold them under examination and deliberation.

In relation to the money which the Corporation now hold for accumulation, as herein detailed, and which is slowly increasing by receipts from the Treasurer of the Diocese, the only authorized mode of its investment on increase, is that designated by \$2 of Canon XIII, to wit: a loan on mortgage security. Manifestly this provision cannot be applied to a sum as small as that which is at present held by the Corporation. In the interim of such investments, &4 of the said Canon XII, requires that the money shall be deposited in some safe bank. Whether the said requirement of the Canon is strictly complied with by a deposite in a savings Bank, may be a question. as such banks possess no capital; but no other species of bank of more secure formation, would be likely to allow any interest on a small deposite; and much time will elapse before a sum sufficiently large to loan on mortgage, will probably be in the possession of the Corporation. If the Convention thought proper to designate that my sum, not to exceed say five hundred dollars, in the possession of the Corporation. might be loaned, or otherwise invested temporarily for increase, in any mode the said corporation shall think proper, the alteration may be an improvement, and it may not: the suggestion, with all the foregoing, is stated for the consideration of the convention, if it shall, in its better wisdom, deem any consideration of the points necessary.

All which is respectfully submitted. For the said Corporation.

A. B. JOHNSON, President, H. DENIO, Secretary, JOHN E. HINMAN, Trustee.

Utica, August 13, 1842.

The Committee to whom was referred the Second Annual Report of the Trustees for the management and care of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Discesse of Western New York, to this Convention report:

That no papers but the Report has been placed in their hands, from which report, it appears that the income [\$2485,) payable in semi-annual payments on the first of November and first of May, upon the permanent fund of \$35,500, has been received by the Trustees on the days specified, and paid over by them to the Bishop. The items of the permanent fund under the charge and management of the Trustees, consists of a bond and mortgage of \$6000 of the Albany Academy, and a bond and mortgage of William H. Townsend and others, for \$29,500. This latter amount was originally secured by the above mortgage, upon a store and lot in Nassau street, in the city of New York. In reference to the security of which the Trustees in a former report remarked, they "believed that whatever may be its actual sufficiency, the magnitude of the sum, and the prevalent feelings of the Diocese, dictated a diminution of the debt or an increase of the security." Acting under such just opinion, they required and obtained from the mortgages additional security, collateral to the original bond and mortgage, amounting to \$9,500, viz: \$2,500 upon a vacant lot in \$th street, near

5th Avenue, New York, which although unproductive property, and therefore not desirable for this purpose, may be reasonable as collateral security for that sum; and \$7,000 upon bond and mortgage given by P. Townsend Jr., to the original mortgagore upon 760 acres of land in the town of Bristol in Ontario county. It will be observed that this \$7000 mortgage is upon land in Bristol at \$10 per acre. In this connection the Committee feel bound to observe that by the charter of the Corporation, and the 13th Canon of the Convention it is provided "that the moneys of this fund shall be loaned by the Trustees upon security on real estate, appraised at double the amount loaned thereon, exclusive of buildings." The Committee suppose that they cannot be mistaken, in the opinion, that the prevalent feeling of the Diocese at this time also, is, " that the magnitude of the sum dictates a farther diminution of the debt or an increase of the security," and in that belief, they offer a resolution, that this Convention approve of the call made by the Trustees as stated in their report, upon the original mortgagors, for a further payment or security of \$5000 by the first day of September ensuing. They offer a further resolution that a like call be made by them for additional payment or security to the amount of at least another \$5000, to be made during the year succeeding, and before the next annual Convention.

These two sums paid in, or satisfactorily secured, will, in the opinion of the Committee, so reduce this large portion of this fund—a fund sacred in its appropriation and purpose, to be guarded by the Convention, with the most jealous and untiring care, and never allowed to remain in any supposable danger—to within the safe rule solemnly prescribed by a Canon of the Convention. The Canon and the 5th section of the charter contain the instructions of the Convention to their Trustees, and require security for all money within their charge, "of real estate appraised at double the amount loaned thereon, exclusive of buildings."

If the Convention should entertain the opinion that the requirements of the Canon have been observed, and such security now exists, for this \$29,500, the adoption of these resolutions will be an uncalled for hardship upon the mortgagors. If, however the opinion of the Convention should concur with that of the Committee, the direction to the Trustees, by the passage of the resolutions, ought to be given, as well in reference to the fund itself, as for the relief and disembarrassment of the Trustees. When these two sums shall be satisfactorily arranged as required by the resolutions proposed, it may be considered that this large loan will be reasonably secured.

The Committee feel bound to bring to the notice of the Convention and the Trustees, that by the charter, (framed from the Canon relating to the fund,) the report referred to this Committee should, under the 3d and 4th sections of the charter, have been accompanied with the book of the Secretary, which is to be kept as a "record of their proceedings, which book shall be opened to the inspection of the Convention," and also with vouchers. At the spread to these requirements may be of little value, (although the Secretary's Book is manifestly intended to exhibit to the Convention the proceedings of the Trustees in detail,) but, while such provisions remain in force as enactments of the Legislature and of the Convention, they should be observed, although they are obviously of far less importance than the one before referred to, sequiring the real estate security to be of double the appraised value, exclusive of buildings.

The Committee would not, at the present session recommend any specific direction to the Trustees about any other disposition of the fund to accumulate, amounting to \$284.54, as stated in their report. It has been deposited by them in their discretion, in the Utica Savings Bank, at an interest of 5 per cent. The Trustees report that they have added to this fund during the last year for interest, \$11,62. It is

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to be expected, that in the event of any money being paid to them upon the Mesers. Townsend's bond and mortgage, under the call made by them, or upon the additional one proposed, or in case without such payment, a fitting opportunity of investing the amount in their hands, in bond and mortgage, as required by the Canon, is presented to the Trustees, the fund, large or small, will be so invested.

The Committee also notice that the Trustees have omitted to state, that the Insurances upon the property mortgaged, have been kept renewed, and the policies properly transferred to them. As we do not suppose that any omission of this important nature has been allowed by the Trustees, yet its great importance suggests the propriety of always noticing the subject in their annual report.

All which is respectfully submitted.

G. B. WEBSTER,
G. B. THROOP,
WM. PITKIN,
Committee.

Resolved, That the report of the Trustees for the management and care of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate in the Diocese of Western New York, made to the Convention, containing an account of their receipts and payments, be approved, and that such report be entered upon the Journal.

Resolved, That the Convention do approve of the proceedings of the Trustees, as stated in said report, requiring a payment of \$5000 to be made to them upon the bond and mortgage of W. H. Townsend and others, on the first day of September next, or satisfactory additional security upon productive real estate, for that amount.

Resolved, That the said Trustees be directed to require a further payment in cash or satisfactory additional security, upon productive real estate, to the amount of at least \$5000, upon said bond and mortgage, in addition to the amount required by them on the first of September next, to be made by the first of August next, or before the meeting of the next annual Convention.

The hour for that purpose having arrived, the House took a recess until 3 o'clock.

### THURSDAY AFTERNOON, 3 o'CLOCK.

The Convention re-assembled pursuant to rules of order.

The resolutions appended to the report of the Special Committee, to whom had been referred the report of the Trustees of the Episcopate Fund, were adopted.

On motion,

Resolved, That the following be added as section 4, of Rule VI. of "Rules of Order:"

"On the report of the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the

Episcopate, and the condition of said Fund, to consist of three laymen."

On motion,

Resolved, That the following be added as section 5, of the same rule.

"On unfinished business to consist of one Clergyman and two Laymen."

On motion,

Resolved, That the reading of the Parochial Reports be dispensed with, and that they be appended to the Journal of the Convention.

On motion of Mr. Benedict,

Resolved, That a proposed alteration of Canon IV, by striking out the 2d subdivision of said canon, be referred to a committee of two clergymen, and two laymen, and that they report on the first day of the next annual meeting of this Convention.

The Chair named Messrs. Benedict, Goodwin, and the Rev. Dr. Whitehouse and Rev. Mr. Hawks, to constitute that committee.

The Rev. Dr. Shelton, from the committee on the subject of the Episcopal residence, made the following

#### REPORT:

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of the Bishop's residence and rent, report:

That they have not succeeded in raising the full amount of \$400; the deficiency being \$176. A number of the parishes have not contributed. It is therefore recommended that measures be adopted to raise the amount which is required for the payment of the deficiency.

On the subject of the Bishop's residence, the committee propose the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to raise the sum of \$10,000, by subscriptions of 100 dollars or more from individuals and Churches, payable in four successive annual instalments of 25 dollas each, on the first day of January in each year; which sums, as collected, shall be paid to Trustees, to be called "Trustees for the Bishop's residence," who shall invest, and keep invested, the sums they receive, and shall apply the interest to the payment of the rent of the Bishop's residence, until the Convention shall order them to apply the principal to the procurement of a house for the Bishop of the Diocese.

The Bishop retiring, called upon the Rev. Dr. Hale to take the chair: when the resolution contained in the above report was taken up, and after discussion,

On motion of Rev. Mr. Gregory, it was

Resolved, That the consideration of so much of the resolution as relates to the raising of Funds for a Bishop's residence be postponed to the next Convention, and that the same Committee be continued on the subject.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Metcalf,

Resolved, That the committee, having this subject in charge, be instructed to raise the sum of \$400 to pay the rent of the Bishop's house for the ensuing year; and also a further sum to meet the balance still due on the past year.

On motion of Geo. B. Throop, Esq.,

Resolved, That the same committee be also instructed to report to the next Convention, whether the present, or any other suitable residence for the Bishop at Geneva, can be rented for a term of years, and at what rent per annum.

The Bishop having returned to the house, resumed the Chair,

On motion of Rev. Mr. Davis,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the congregation of St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, for the hospitality so generously extended to its members during the present session, and that the Rector of said Church be requested to give publicity to this resolution, in such way as he may deem expedient.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Metcalf,

Resolved, That fifteen hundred copies of the Journal be printed and distributed in the usual manner.

The minutes of the day were read and approved; and the House on motion, resolved to adjourn after the usual religious exercises. Whereupon the Convention, after a short address from the Bishop, united in singing the 25th hymn, and in appropriate prayers from the Liturgy, and having received his blessing adjourned sine die.

Signed by order of the Convention,

WILLIAM HEATHCOTE DE LANCEY, D. D.,

Bishop of the Diocese of Western New York,

and President of the Convention.

"Attest."
PIERRE ALEXIS PROAL, D. D., Secretary.

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### APPENDIX.

No. 1.

#### PAROCHIAL AND MISSIONARY REPORTS.

#### ALLEGANY COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Angelica; the Rev. Lewis Thibou, Jr., Rector.

Congregation. Families 44, (Adults, 151, Children 84;) Total number of Individuals 235; Baptisms: Adults 2; Communicants: (Admitted,) added 2; Removed 4: Present number 72; Marriages 3; Burials 5; Public Services: On Sundays 96, on other days 25: total 121.

Collections have been made and appropriated as follows, yiz:

Domestic Missions,		•	•	•	•	•		•	•		-		\$4	00
Parochial Objects,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	-	•		•	24	92
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The collections for Diocesan objects not passing through the hands of the Rector, he has kept no record of them.

St. Mark's Church, Hunt's Hollow; the Rev. HENRY S. ATTWATER, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 56, (Adults 126, Children 133;) Total number of Individuals 259; Baptisms: Adults 1, Infants 7: Total 8; Confirmed 1; Communicants: (Admitted,) added 14: Died 1, Removed 2: present number 81; Marriages 1; Burials 4; Public Services: On Sundays 121, on other days 36: Total number of Services 157; Children Catechised: Number of Children about 20, Number of times 4; Sunday School 1, Teachers, (Male 2, Female 6;) total 8: Pupils, (Male 8, Female 22;) total about 30.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,	<b>\$</b> 3 00
" Education,	- 200
Expenses of the Convention,	3 00
Bibles and Prayer Books,	- 5 00
Tracts,	3 00
Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	- 1 50
General Fund for Church Objects,	4 25
	<b>931</b> 75
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, vi	iz:
For the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church the United States:	
Domestic Missions,	- \$4 00

Foreign Missions,

Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen,

Parochial Objects,

- 1 25

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The Parish of St. Mark's reported above, comprises the three stations of Hunt's Hollow, Portageville, and Nunda. While my labors have been chiefly given to Hunt's Hollow, where, besides two services on Sunday, a weekly lecture is sustained on Wednesday evening; I have officiated generally for a third service on Sunday evening at Portageville and Nunda alternately; sometimes also giving them a half or entire Sunday as circumstances seemed to render it expedient. In the ordinary discharge of parochial duty, several Bibles and Prayer Books, and upwards of 5000 pages of Tracts have been distributed. The prospects of this parish are encouraging, but from the character of the place and population it will probably be some years before it can be sustained without Missionary aid. Nevertheless, it is important that it should be sustained. Members of our communion are scattered through various towns and villages in this county, and the Missionary at this station might usefully extend his labors in short exploring tours, for ten or fifteen miles around. In accordance with this idea, I last winter visited Cold Creek, and Mixville, in both which villages I found communicants, and preached to large congregations. At Mixville I baptized two children, and received pressing invitations to preach there as often as convenient. My other services have been at Mount Morris, preaching five times on funeral occasions, baptizing one infant, and solemnizing one marriage.

#### BROOME COUNTY.

Christ Church, Binghamton; Rev. Edward Andrews, D. D., Rector.

Congregation: Families 65; Baptisms: (Infants 3, Adults 2:) total 5; Communicants: died 2, removed 3: present number 60; Marriages 3; Burials 8; Confirmed 19; Public Services: on Sundays, Ash-Wednesday, Good Friday, Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day, occasional Services at Windsor and New Milford in the Diocese of Pennsylvania; Children Catechisedt openly in the Church 8 times; Sunday School continued; number of Teachers 7, Scholars 50.

The monthly collections have been made according to the Canon, and have been sensibly reduced by the exigency of the times; they amount to \$25, and to this ought to be reported \$10, handed in by Mr. Gilbert Tompkins, to be appropriated to Missionary purposes, all of which has been sent to the Treasurer.

A collection was also made for the Christmas Fund, and forwarded to the proper officer.

The pecuniary state of the country affects the perish, and I regret to say that it labors under some embarrassment in this respect.

St. Luke's Church, Harpersville; the Rev. James O. Stokes, Missionary.

Congregation: Families about 50: total, adults and children, upwards 200; Baptisms: infants 6; Confirmed 8; Communicants: total added about 10: present number about 40; Marriages 2; Burials 3; Public Services: on Sundays 2 and 3 times each, and other days 5; total 125.

The monthly collections have been as regular as circumstances would admit, and appropriated according to the direction of the Bishop. Amount up to May last, \$16.50.

#### CATTARAUGUS COUNTY.

# St. John's Church, Ellicottville; the Rev. Thomas Morris, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 39; Beptisms: Adults 6; infants 6; Total 12; Communicants: admitted 7; died 1: present number 32; marriages 3; burial 1; Public Services: on Sundays 98; Sunday School 1, Teachers, (male 4, female 3;) total 7; pupils, (male 25, female 30;) total 55.

Collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

General Fund for C														
Domestic Missions,	-	•	~	-	•	-	•	-		-	-		3	00
Christmas Fund for Parochial Objects,	Diss	DI <b>G</b>	Cler	gyme	m,	•	•		•		-	-	3	00
ratucinal Objects,	•	•	•	•	•	•		•		•	•	,	<b>3</b> V	
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This parish is steadily improving, and its present prospects are better in every respect than at any former period.

### St. Stephen's Church, Olean; the Rev. H. Hollis, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 20, (adults 60, children 30;) total number of individuals 90; Baptisms: adults 5, infants 8: total 13; Communicants: (admitted) added 4; removed 5: present number 21: marriage 1; burials 5; Public Services: on Sundays 96, on other days 4: evening services during Lent and subsequently, about 10: total number of services 110; Sunday School 1, teachers, (male 2, female 2;) total 4; pupils, (male 10, female 12;) total 22; a small Bible Class part of the year.

The collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

General Fund for Church Objects, -	•		-		-		-		•	<b>\$4</b>	56
Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen,		-		-		-		•		3	60
Domestic Missions, (in Wisconsin,) -											
										15	
Collected in Sunday School for Library,	-		-		-		•		•	2	12
Parochial Objects,											
•									-		
										51	48

In the above report of families, some are included which, from distance or other causes, are not much to be depended on as attendants on public worship. There are also a few pew-holders, (not included in this report,) who take no interest in the affairs of the Parish. The congregation has lost the past year, by death and removals (in addition to the losses of last year) several valuable friends. In consideration of this, and the depressed condition of the village, the congregation is much reduced in means and numbers. Yet notwithstanding the loss of numbers and pecuniary support, the Missionary humbly believes, through the blessing of God, their spiritual

state is even better than in more prosperous days. By the request of the Bishop, I visited Mayville, Chautauque county, and on Sunday, July 17th, I administered the Lord's Supper, and preached twice. On the 24th also I preached twice to respectable and attentive congregations. I found them anxious for the services of a resident clergyman, though so me what dispirited, having with a praise-worthy seal kept up lay services for about one year.

#### CAYUGA COUNTY.

## St. Peter's Church, Auburn; the Rev William Croswell, Rector.

Congregation: Families 102, (adults 279, children 188;) total number of individuals 467; Baptisms: adults 4, infants 19: total 23; Confirmed 14; Communicants: (admitted 13, received 4:) total added 17; died 1, removed 9: present number 131; marriages 5; burials 10; Public Services: on Sundays 99, on other days 29: total number of Services 128; Children Catechised: number of children 91, number of times 40; Sunday School 1, Teachers, (male 5, female 13;) total 18: pupils, (male 33, female 53;) total 91.

The monthly collections required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Rent of Bishop's House,		•	\$10 00	
Contribution for Churches at Clyde and Cape Vincent,	-		- 20 60	
General Fund for (hurch Objects,		•	78 47	
Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	•		- 19 00	
Domestic Missions,		•	- 21 65	
Churches at Springville and Jonesville, Michigan. •	•		- 35 00	
Parochial objects			714 49	
			2890 21	

### St. Paul's Church, Aurora.

### [There is no report from this Parish.]

## St. Matthew's Church, Moravia; Rev. Beardsley Northrup, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 44, (adults 195, children 47,) total number of individuals 152; Baptisms: adult 1, infants 6: total 7; Confirmed 5; Communicants: (admitted,) added 8: present number 40; marriages 3; burials 5; Public services: on Sundays 104, on other days 8: total number of services 112; Children Catechised: number of children 47, number of times 4; Sunday School 1, teachers, (male 4, female 2;) total 6: pupils, (male 28, female 19;) total 47.

Collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions, Christmas Fund for	r disable	ed C	ergy	men,	•	•	•	•	•	5 0	D
Parochial Objects,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		- 10 3	•

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Since our last Convention, as formerly, I have devoted about three-fourths of my time to the parish of St. Matthew's, Moravia, which continues spiritually to prosper. Since the present incumbent took charge of this station, (less than three years ago) the number of communicants has increased from twenty to forty. A new Church is now erecting on the spot where the one stood which was burnt; the frame is raised, and the parish intend, by the blessing of God on their own efforts, aided by the liberality of their friends from abroad, to complete the building as soon as their means will allow. I have officiated two Sundays in Aurora, and also ten Sundays in Genoa, in which place the congregation is respectable and attentive.

#### CHAUTAUQUE COUNTY.

St. Peter's Church, Forestville; the Rev. Lucius Smith, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 12; Baptisms: infant 1; communicants 12; burials 3. Monthly collections appropriated as follows, viz:

General Fund for Church Objects, - - - - - 87 75

Trinity Church, Fredonia; the Rev. Lucius Smith, Rector.

Congregation: Families 40; Baptisms: adult 1, infant 1; total 2; Communicants: added 1; present number 41; marriage 1; burials 5.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

St. Luke's Church, Jamestown.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. Paul's Church, Mayville. [Vacant.]

[Report made by the Vestry.]

This parish has been without a minister during the past year. Lay reading has been attended, and the Rev. Mr. Stout, of Westfield has on several orgasions kindly rendered his services and administered the Holy Communion. The Rev. Mr. Murray of Lewiston, and the Rev. Mr. Hollis of Olean have also each once administered the Holy Communion. There are above twenty communicants and about as many families belonging to the congregation. There has been one marriage and two burials in our parish the past year. Our Sunday School was continued until winter, and had about forty scholars. Last winter a female association was formed, attached to the Church, and thirty-four ladies signed the Constitution. They hold monthly meetings and have already rendered efficient aid in furnishing and dressing the Church.

St. Peter's Church, Westfield; the Rev. CHARLES B. STOUT, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 36, (adults 100, children 56;) total number of individuals 156; Baptisms: adults 2, infants 10: total 12; Communicants: (admitted 9, received 4;) total added 13: removed 3: present number 49; marriages 5; burials 6, and one at Mayville; Public Services: on Sundays 114, on other days 12; total number of services 126; Children Catechised: number of children 50, number of times not recollected, but frequently; Sunday School 1, teachers, (male 3, female 7;) total 10; pupils, (male 20, female 30;) total 50.

The monthly collections required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

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The Rector of this Parish entered upon the discharge of his duties in July, 1841. Shortly after which there was an Episcopal visitation, on which occasion six were confirmed. Several candidates are now ready for the reception of the rite. During the year past, there has been an increasing attendance on the Church services. The gallery has been enlarged and rendered more convenient. An interesting Bible Class has been kept up on Sunday evenings about eight months of the year—well attended. It will be resumed in September, having been closed for the summer months. The collections above specified include the time since Christmas—prior to which time none were made for other than parochial objects. As many have been made, and for as many objects as the circumstances of the parish justify.

On a review of the year past, the Rector has great reason for thankfulness for the success which has attended his efforts. In all the season of Lent, extra services were held.

#### CHEMUNG COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Big Flatts.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. John's Church, Catharines; the Rev. M. A. NICKERSON, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 49, (adults 107, children 80;) total number of individuals 236; Baptisms: adult 1, infants 5: total 6; Confirmed 4; Communicants: (admitted) added 1; died 1, removed 1: present number 31; Marriages 2; Burials 4; Public Services: on Sundays 48, on other days 3: total number of services 51; Sunday

School 1, Teachers, (male 5, female 4;) total 9: pupils, (male 29, female 31; total 60. The monthly collections required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropri-

ated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions Christmas Fund for	, r diæ	- abled	Cle	MVM	en.	•	•	-	•	, <b>\$3</b> 0 00 - <b>3</b> 00
Parochial objects,	•	•	•	•	-	•	-	•	•	245 00
										\$278 00

I have also had regular services at Millport every Sunday afternoon until recently, when it was thought best to change them to Havana; occasional services have been held at Havana and Jefferson, so that the whole number of services during the past year, including the three places, is 104. As evidence of an increasing interest in the Church at Catharines, I would state that a neat and comfortable parsonage has been purchased for \$500, \$300 of which has already been raised by subscription, including \$125 subscribed by benevolent individuals of Havana.

### Trinity Church, Elmira; the Rev. KENDRICK METCALF, Rector

Congregation: Families 65; Baptisms: adults 2, infants 16: total 18; Confirmed 4; Communicants: (admitted 7, received 9;) total added 16; removed 9: present number 67; Marriages 3; Burials 13; Public Services: on Sundays 104, on other days 25: total number of Services 129; Children Catechised: number of children 53, number of times, every Sunday; Sunday School 1, teachers, (male 3, female 8;) total 11); pupils, 55.

The monthly collections required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

General Fund for Church Christmas Fund for disa	ble	1 Č	len	gyme	n, -	-	•	-	-	16 00
Church in Michigan, Parish Sunday School, Domestic Missions.	•		-	•	•	•	-	•	•	10 00 - 9 00
Parochial objects, -	-	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	80 00

A course of Lectures, sixteen in number, on the Apostles' creed, was delivered on week days during Lent. A class for instruction in the Church Catechism has met the Rector every Saturday, during the summer. Ten or twelve are now awaiting confirmation. The aisles and chancels of the church have been carpeted, during the past year. A reading desk, which formerly encumbered the chancel, has been taken away, and a suitable lectern substituted, from which the lessons and exhortations are read. The "sacrifice of prayer and thanksgiving" is offered at the altar "on the right side," according to ancient usage. The Rector will close his labors in this parish on the last Sunday in the present month, having accepted a Rectorship in another Diocese. On leaving the Diocese he wishes to record his grateful sense of the Divine goodness to him during the whole period of his past ministerial labors. He feels that "the lot has fallen to him in a fair ground, and he has had a goodly heritage," and he prays that "the blessing of Jacob" may rest with those who remain.

### St. James' Church, Jefferson.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

#### CHENANGO COUNTY.

### St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge. [Vacant.]

#### [Reported by the Wardens.]

Baptisms: adults 7, infants 5: total 12; Confirmed 10; Communicants: (admitted,) added 2; died 1, removed 1: present number 64; Marriages 4; Burials 4; Public Services: on Sundays 88, on other days 35: total number of services 123; Children Catechised: number of children 30, number of times 28; Sunday School 1, teachers, (male 3, female 6;) total 9: Pupils, 40.

The monthly collections required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,	•	•.	•	-		•		•		•		85	00
" Education,		•	•		•		•		•		•	_	75
Expenses of the Convention,	-	•	•	•		•		•		•		3	871
Bibles and Prayer Books,		•	-		-		•		•		•	4	00
Tracts,	-	-		•		•		•		•		- 3	77
Increase of the Episcopate Fund,		•	-		•		•		•		•	2	73
Increase of the Episcopate Fund, General Fund for Church Objects,		•		•		•		•		•		13	00
												<b>)35</b>	134

#### The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:

For the Theological Seminary, -	•	-	• •	•	•	<b>34 0</b> 0
Board of Missions of the Protestant Epis	copa	Chw	rch ir	the	U.	<b>8.</b>
Domestic Missions,						
Foreign Missions, -						
Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymon						
						40 00
Rent of Episcopal residence,			•	•		4 25
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The Rev. William E. Eigenbrodt resigned the Rectorship of this Church in the month of June last; the pulpit has since been supplied, with the exception of one Sunday, (when we had lay reading) through the kindness of the neighboring clergy. Much improvement has been made in the organ by the addition of a new swell box.

### Trinity Church, Coventry.

[A vacant parish under the care of the Rev. J. V. Van Ingen, Rector of Zion Church, Greene. Statistics of numbers, &c., included in his report.]

Given by individuals towards the erection of a Parsonage for Zion Church, Greene, as an acknowledgement for services of its Rector in the past seven years.

### Zion Church, Greene; the Rev. John V. Van Ingen, Rector.

Congregation: Families 80, (adults 231, children 170;) total number of individuals 391; Baptisms: adults 10, infants 13: total 23; Confirmed 23—two of this number now belong to the Church at Norwich, but at their special request were confirmed here, where they had been baptized; Communicants: (admitted 9, received 2;) total added 11: died 3, removed 3: present number 85; Marriages 5; Burials 8; Public Services: (in the Parish Church, Greene,) on Sundays 100, on other days services and sermons on all the Holy days of the Church, with the exception of one

or two saints' days. The Rector has continued through the past year, his services in parts adjacent to his residence. With respect to catechising, it is his almost constant occupation in his cure. Number of attendants at his parish Sunday Schools 64. Of others catechised by him no exact account can be be given, and any other would be deceptive.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated (with the exception of \$7, specially designated as for Diocesan Missions) to the

General Fund for Church objects,  The following sums have also been contributed, viz:		- \$27 27
Board of Missions P. E. Church for Domestic Missions, Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, Rent of Bishop's house, by Ladies's Society,	,	- 13 00
For the erection of a parsonage (nearly completed) -	-	\$54 27 \$1000 00

The addition of sums given for ordinary parochial objects, not a proper matter for these reports, would swell the amount given by this little parish, (without excitement or any of the arts of money gathering,) in the past year, to little less than \$1800; part of it indeed an investment for the future good of the parish, but not on this account the less creditable to its character, nor the less illustrative of the truth of the maxim, that "where there is a will, there is a way."

The lot on which the parsonage has been built, valued at \$250, is a gift from the Hornby estate, through the kindness of the Hon. John Greig. The effort for the erection of the parsonage has not lessened the contributions to general church objects; the monthly collections having equalled in amount those of last year.

## Christ Church, Guilford; the Rev. Asa Griswold, Deacon, late Missionary.

Congregation: Families 38, (adults 86, children 97:) total number of individuals 183; Baptisms: adults 2, infants 3: total 5; Confirmed 2; Communicants: admitted 3, received 1:) total added 4; died 1; present number 48; Marriages 2; Burials 6; Public Services: on Sundays 68, on other days 3: total number of services 71; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 2, female 6;) total 8: pupils (male 15, female 25;) total 40.

The monthly collections required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated to

Diocesan Missions,	-	•	•	•	•	-	•	•		<b>\$</b> 7	19
The following sums have	also	been	collec	cted	for o	ther	objec	ite, vi	<b>S</b> :		
Domestic Missions, Christmas Fund for di	• .	•	• •	٠.	•	•	•	•	-	2	00
Christmas Fund for di	sable	d Cle	igyme	m,	•	•	•	•		2	00
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On the 1st of June, your missionary resigned his station. He extends his report (by request) however, to the end of the perochial year. Previous to his resignation, he had performed (on Sundays) 21 public services in Grace Church, Mount Upton, where there are 5 communicants, 2 having been received since the last report.

Grace Church, Mount Upton; the Rev. Asa Griswold, Deacon, late Missionary.

Since my last report, and up to the 1st of June, I have held in Grace Church, a third service, in the evening of each alternate Sunday, except in two or three instances, when prevented by inclement weather. The congregation has been small, but increasing in number and devout attention; communicants in this church 5, 2 having been received the present year.

## St. Andrew's Church, New Berlin; the Rev. ANDREW HULL, Rector.

Congregation: Families 50, (adults 140, children 110:) total number of individuals 250; Baptisms: adults 13, infant 1: total 14, Confirmed 28; Communicants: (admitted 17, received 1;) total added 18; present number 63; Marriages 5; Burials 4; Public Services: on Sundays 107, on other days 6: total number of services 113; Children Catechised: number of children 50, number of times 3; Sunday School 1, teachers, (male 7, female 7;) total 14: pupils, (male 20, female 30;) total 50.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesar	Missions,	•	•	-	-		-		-		•	-		\$10	00
44	Education,	-	•		•	•		•		-	•		-	10	00
Expense	s of the Conv	ention.	-	-			•		•		•	•		3	00
	nd Prayer Boo		-		•	•		•		•	•		•	5	00
Tracts,		•	•	•	-		-				•	•		3	00
	of the Episco	pate F	und.		•	-		•		-	-		•	5	00
General	Fund for Chu	rch obj	ects,	-	•	•	•		•		-	•		2	00
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For the	Theological S			ollo -	ecte	d fo	- -	the	e c	bje -	cts	, <b>v</b> i	<b>z</b> :	\$10	00
For the 'Domestic	Theological S c Missions,	eminar		olle -	ecte	d fo	PF 0	the -	) <b>?</b> (	bje -	cts	, <b>v</b> i	<b>s</b> :	\$10 10	00
For the 'Domestic Rent of	Theological S	eminar		olle -	ecte	d fo	P 0	- -	) <b>r</b>	bje -	cts	, <b>∀</b> i -	<b>s</b> :	\$10 10 5	00

## Emmanuel Church, Norwich; the Rev. DAVID M. FACELER, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 26, (adults 110, children 43;) total number of individuals 153; Baptisms: adults 5, infants 2: total 7: Confirmed 4; Communicants: (admitted 4, received 2:) total added 6, removed 4; present number 24; marriages 3) burials 6; Public Services: total number of services, (on Sundays) 24; Children Catechised: number of times 2; Sunday School 1, teachers, (male 3, female 2;) total 5: pupils, (male 9, female 11:) total 20.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions, Bibles and Prayer Books, Christmas Fund for disab Parochial objects,	led.	Cle	rgyll	non,	-	-	-	•	-	2 0 5 0	00
r arocmar objects,	,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	_	18 0	_

The public services above reported are those only of the present Rector, who entered on his duties there on the 29th of May last. It is proper to state, for the satisfaction of such as may compare this report with that made last year, that the number of families above reported, is of those only who may strictly be called Church-going families. Of communicants, those living out of the limits of the township are not here reported. A Bible Class composed of the more advanced girls of the Sunday School recites every Sunday morning. A Bible Class for the congregation generally will be soon commenced. The prospects of the Church cannot be regarded as cheering, by reason of debt, which increases with the interest thereof, and also by reason of the difficulty of obtaining a suitable house in which the minister might himself reside,

### St. Paul's Church, Oxford; the Rev. Thomas Towall, Rector.

\* Congregation: Families 62, (adults 180, children 86:) total number of individuals 266; Baptisms: adults 8, infants 10, total 18; Confirmed 11; Communicants: admitted 10, received 3;) total added 13: present number 87; marriage 1; burials 6; Public Services: on Sundays 69, on other days 22: total number of services 91; Children Catechised: number of children 39, number of times 25; Sunday School 1, teachers, (male 2, female 6;) total 8: pupils, (male 17, female 22; total 39.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen,	\$21	00	)
Diocesan Missions,	5	00	j
Ladies' Missionary Association,	16	50	j
Expenses of the Convention,	. 4	00	)
Bibles and Prayer Books,	· 6	68	ļ
Tracts.	2	00	j
General Fund for Church Objects,	5	00	)
Rent of the Bishop's House,	- 5	00	)
	<b>9</b> 65	18	ì
The following sums have also been cellected for other objects, viz:	400	10	,
Domestic Missions,	<b>\$</b> 10	27	,
Parochial Objects,	478	~.	
	488	77	,

The parish of St. Paul's Church is, by the Divine blessing, progressing not only in numbers but also in spirituality. The warnings no less than the consolations, the threats no less than the promises of the word of God, faithfully enforced by the former long tried and devoted Rector of this parish, are now manifesting their influence

both in the lives and conversations of the people.

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The present Rector would remark that in addition to the regular services, he catechises the children in the forenoon of every Sunday, except that on which the Lord's Supper is administered. He has also met a Bible Class on Wednesday evenings, and through the season of Lent, has had services in the Church on the mornings of Wednesdays and Fridays, and on the evenings of the latter days, on which occasions he preached. Divine services was also held in the Church every day in Passion Week. On all which services he doubts not but a blessing descended from above.

## Christ Church, Sherburne; the Rev. LIBERTY A. BARROWS, Rector.

Congregation: Families 40; Baptisms: adults 2, infants 12: total 14; Confirmed 4; Communicants: (added) 7, died 1, removed 3: present number 62; marriages 2; burials 2; Public Services: on Sundays 50, on other days 3: total number of services 53; Children Catechised: number of children 25, number of times 3; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 2, female 7;) total 9: pupils, (male 15, female 25;) total 40.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,										
" Education,	•		-	•	-		-	-	-	- 1 00
Expenses of the Convent	tion,		-		<b>-</b>	•	•	-	-	1 00
Bibles and Prayer Books	, -	•	•	-	•		-	•	-	- 1 00
Tracts,	-	•	•		•	-	•	•	-	- 1 00
The following sum has also	beer	n co	llec	ted	for					
Parochial objects,	•	•	•		•	•	-	•	•	15 00
										<b>\$21 00</b>

I commenced my duties here on the 27th of February last; this report therefore embraces a period of about six months. The condition of the parish is supposed to be as good as at any former period. My services were given to the parish of Emmanuel Church, Norwich, from the time of my last report, until I commenced my duties here. In this parish I performed public service three times on Sundays, and twice on other days.

#### CORTLAND COUNTY.

#### Calvary Church, Homer; the Rev. Erastus B. Foote, Rector.

Congregation: Families 20, (adults 92, children 50;) total number of individuals 142; Baptisms: adults 7, infant 1: total 8; Confirmed 11; Communicants: (admitted 10, received 9;) total added 19; removed 6: present number 45; marriages 4; burials 5; Public Services: on Sundays 105, on other days 10: total number of services 115; Children Catechised: number of children ·15, number of times 6; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 1, female 2;) total 3: pupils, (male 4, female 11;) total 15.

The collection has been Christmas Fund for						ne	n,	-	-		•		•	-	<b>\$</b> 5	00
The following sums har	ve	alac	b	een	col	lec	ted	for	oti	)er	oł	jec	:te,	vis	:	
Domestic Missions, Parochial objects,	-	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	-	•	•	•	•	-	- 3 25	
															\$33	<del>-</del> 00

#### ERIE COUNTY.

# St. Paul's Church, Auroraville. [Vacant.] [There is no report from this Parish.]

### Grace Church, Black Rock. [No Rector.]

At the request of the Wardens and Vestrymen of this parish, I have for the last two months held a service in the village of Black Rock, on every Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock, after the close of the services in Trinity Parish, Buffalo. There are in the village 16 church families, and 13 communicants of the Church. The congregations are large and attentive. The Churchmen in this village seem very desirous of securing the regular services of the Church, and for that purpose are making an effort to erect a church edifice.

C. S. HAWKS,

Rector of Trinity Church, Buffalo.

## St. Paul's Church, Buffalo; the Rev. WILLIAM SHELTON, D. D. Rector.

Congregation: Families 120; Baptisms: adults 6, infants, 44: total 50; Communicants, (added) 30; present number 120; marriages 11; burials 15; Sunday School 1: number of scholars 150.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

General Fund for Church Objects,	(See	Tre	a'ioina	Report.)	<b>\$</b> —
Several Churches in Michigan.	•	•	• •		105 00
Christmas Fund for disabled Clerg Rent of Bishop's House,	ymen,	-	•	• •	60 53 25 00
			• •		15 50
Academy at Royalton, Niegara,					25 00
Parochial objects,			•		900 00
Parish Sunday School,	•	•	• •	• •	50 66
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The parish is in its usual condition, that of steady advancement (it is humbly trusted) in knowledge and piety, and an increasing attachment to the great principles of the Church. I have pleasure in mentioning the zeal of the Sunday School, both in the instructors and pupils.

### Trinity Church, Buffalo; the Rev. CICERO S. HAWKS, Rector.

Congregation: Families 80, (adults, 245, children 93;) total number of individuals 338; Baptisms: adults 1, children 9: total 10; Communicants: (admitted 16, received 4:) total added 20; removed 14: present number 88; marriages 8; burials 3; Public Services: on Sundays 59, on other days, 15: total 74.

The monthly collections, required by Canon have been made for six months only; the Rector having been necessarily from home for five months of the current year. They were not specifically appropriated, the Rector preferring that his flock should cast their contributions for the general fund, leaving the Bishop to appropriate where he thought best. The contributions thus received for six months amount to \$139 30.

The parish has also raised a sum of \$4,200, for completing their church edifice. The work is now in progress, and the building will be ready for consecration in the month of November.

#### GENESEE COUNTY.

## St. James' Church, Batavia; the Rev. James A. Bolles, Rector.

Congregation: Families 125; (adults 366, children 232:) total number of individuals 596; Baptisms: adults 5, infants 20: total 25; Confirmed 6; Communicants (added) 22, died 2: present number 130; marriages 4; burials 13; Public Services: including 3 every Sunday, the Wednesday evening lecture, and the lectures in Lent and Passion Week, 228; Children Catechised the first Sunday in every month; Sunday School 1: Teachers, (male, 9, female 11;) total 20; pupils, (male 30, female 50;) total 80.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Domestic Missions, General Fund for Church Objects, Diocesan Missions, Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, Expenses of the Convention,	•	-	•	•	-	-	•	•	43 41 - 33	25 01 00	
									\$150	54	

This parish was never in a more flourishing condition. A number of families have been added to the congregation during the past year, and a large subscription has been raised to increase the dimensions of the Church.

Communion Collections,

# St. Mark's Church, LeRoy; the Rev. George D GILLESPIE, Deacon, Rector.

Congregation: Families 57: (adults 190, children 94;) total number of individuals 254; Baptisms: adults 4, infants 3; total 7; Confirmed 11; Communicants: (admit[4] 13, received 9;) total added 23; transferred to St. Paul's Church, Stafford

13, removed 6: present number 79; marriages 3; burials 7; Public Services: on Sundays 105, on other days 46: total 151; Children Catechised: the minister superintends the Sunday school—takes part in the instruction of the scholars, and meets the teachers weekly; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 9, female 11;) total 20: pupils (male 45, female 55;) total 100.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,	•	-	-	•	-		•	,	-	•		\$70	22
Domestic Missions		-	-	•	•	-		•		-	-	15	00
Diocesan Education,	-	-	•	•	_		•		-	-		5	00
Bibles and Prayer Boo	ks,	-	•	•	•	-		•		•	•	5	00
Tracts.	-	-	•	•		•	•		-	•		- 5	00
Increase of the Episco	pate	Fund	i,	•	-	-		-		-	-	10	00
Mission to Africa, -	•	•	•	-		•	•		-	•	•	12	56
Erection of a Church a	t Fl	int, M	lichi	gan,	•	-		•		-	•	14	<b>39</b>
Payment of the rent of					Lee,	•	-		•		•	5	00
<b>▼</b> '			-		•								
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The following sums have			•		for	oth	et (	obj	oct	s, v	iz :	• •	17
The following sums have	also	been	colle	ected	l for	oth	er (	obj	oct	8, ▼		<b>.</b>	
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The minister of the perish officiated at a third service at Stafford for about four months and a half of the present year, and baptized 2 adults and 1 infant, not included in the above statistics. He has since given a third service every other Sunday, at Mumford, where the prospects are such as to warrant the hope that a Church may be organized. The Holy Communion has been once administered in this village—number of communicants 8; a small collection has also been taken up for the Diocesan Missionary Fund. He has also held service once at Wyoming Village, where are three communicants of the Church, and once in a part of the town distant from the Church.

### St. John's Church, Sheldon.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

## St. Paul's Church, Stafford; the Rev. Stephen C. Millett, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 40, (adults 120, children 33;) total number of individuals 153; Baptisms: adults 3, infant 1: total 4; Confirmed 5; Communicants: (admitted) 5, present number 27; burials 3; Public Services: on Sundays 34, on other days 3: total number of services 37; Children Catechised: number of children 32, number of times 10; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 4, female 4;) total 3: pupils (male 16, female 16:) total 32.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,	-		-		-		•		-		•		\$1 00
Bibles and Prayer Books,		•		-		•		-		-		•	1 50
Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	_				-						_		1 00
General Fund for Church objects.													1 00
Parochial objects,													5 00
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I took charge of this parish on the first Sunday of May last. Since that time a Sunday School has been formed, and a weekly Bible Class has been established. The services on Sunday are well attended, and should the same zeal and good feeling continue to be manifested by the congregation, as has thus far characterized all their proceedings, we may hope for the most favorable results. A parsonage will be completed by the fall.

#### JEFFERSON COUNTY.

St Paul's Church, Brownville; the Rev. FERDINAND ROGERS, Rector.

Congregation: Families 40, (adults 100, children 80;) total 180; Baptisms: adults 2, infants 14;) total 16: Confirmed 5; Communicants: (admitted) 6, died 1, removed 4: present number 28; marriages 3; burials 5; Public services: on Sundays 50, on other days 3: total 53; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 1, female 6;) total 7; pupils 50.

Monthly collections, - - - - - - - - - - - - 5 45
Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, - - - - - 5 45

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# St. John's Church, Cape Vincent; Rev. NATHANIEL WATKINS, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 25, (adults 75, children 30;) total number of individuals 105; Baptisms: adults 4, infants 7: total 11; Confirmed 19; Communicants: (admitted) added 12: present number 36; marriages 4; burials 2; Public Services: on Sundays 102, on other days 4: total number of services 106; Children Catechised: number of children 30, generally on Sunday; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 4, female 6;) total 10: pupils, (male 14, female 25;) total 39.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions, -																
Expenses of the Convention, Sunday School Books, -	•	•	-	•	-	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	-	3	53
															25 (	<u></u>

In spiritual matters, the prospects of this interesting parish (all circumstances considered) are quite encouraging. Peace is truly within our walls, but deep poverty within our palaces. The weight of a considerable debt incurred in the erection of their new church, is also upon them. This will account for the smallness of the contributions to church objects. None are more willing, and but few less able.

Perhaps I ought to state that there are quite a number of French people in this town strongly attached to our Church, who can scarcely speak a word in English, and yet they often come seven miles on foot to attend the services of the sanctuary.

## All Saints' Church, Dexter; the Rev. FERDINAND ROGERS, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 35; total number of individuals 130; Baptisms: infants 2; Communicants: (admitted 5, received 5:) total added 10: died 2: present number 18; burials 2: Public Services: on Sundays 50, on other days 2; total 52.

Collections for the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, \$3 18

The prospects of the Church continue favorable in this place. Much required to be done in the removal of prejudice, and it is a matter of congratulation that as this disappears a favorable feeling is awakened towards our services. Our commencement in this place was in great feebleness, but the fact that during the last year the number of our communicants has more than doubled, strongly encourages our hearts and hands. It should be mentioned that in consequence of the debt still remaining upon the Church it has been impossible to make the usual monthly collections this year. This being a manufacturing village, has been unusually affected by the state of the times, and this circumstance has interposed an obstacle to the making of contributions for Church objects, which it is trusted will not long exist.

## Zion Church, Pierrepont Manor; Rev. Josiah M. Bartlett, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 27, (adults 70, children 51:) total number of individuals 121; Baptisms, (infants) 3; Communicants: (admitted 5, received 4;) total added 9; removed 13: present number 40; marriage 1; burial 1; Public Services: on Sundays 79, on other days 11: total number of services 90; Children Catechised every Sunday morning; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 3, female 9;) total 12: pupils, (male 42, female 50;) total 92; average attendance 63.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,	•		-	•		-	-		•		-	<b>\$</b> 15	25
" Education, -	-	-	•		-	•	•	-		•		10	00
Expenses of the Convention	1 -		•	-		-	-		•		•	5	00
Bibles and Prayer Books,	•	-	-		-		,			-		11	00
Tracts,	_		,	•			-				_	Ϋ́	00
Increase of the Episcopate	Fund	•	•		•	-		•	-	•		3	20
General Fund for Church O	bjecu	<u>.</u>	•	•	•	•	-		-		•	20	00
The following sums have also h	een (	colle	ecte	d f	or c	the	r ol	bje	cts	. v	iz	<b>\$</b> 75 :	<b>3</b> 0
For the Theological Seminar		WII.		_	<b>U</b> 1 U			Ju	· ·	, v	_	<b>\$</b> 10	00
Domestic Missions, -	. 2 ,	_ `	_	_	_ `	_	_	_	-	_		-	26
Rent of Bishop's House,	_	_	_			_		_		_			00
Christmas Fund for disabled	Clar				_		_		_		_		00
Sunday School Union,	-	834	TOT	•	•	_	•	-	•	-		11	õõ
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The present occupant entered upon his duties here on the 14th November last, and has continued to officiate regularly until the present time. During this period the attendance on public worship has been on the increase, and though some losses have been sustained by removals, yet the condition of the parish is, on the whole, prosperous.

Christ Church, Sacket's Harbor; the Rev. John Noble, late Missionary.

[This report extends to the end of June 1842, at which time the Missionary left that station.]

Congregation: Families 24, (adults 50, children 30;) total 104; Baptisms: adult 1, infants 7: total 8; Confirmed 6; Communicants: admitted 2, died 2, removed 8; present number 32; marriages 2; burials 3; Public Services: 2 services each Sunday, also services on Thanksgiving Day and Good Friday; Sunday Scholars 8.

The money collected went to defray the contingent expenses of the Church; and also in part liquidate an old debt upon the Church.

### Trinity Church, Watertown; the Rev. J. F. FISH, Rector.

Congregation: Families 115; Baptisms, (adults 16, infants 14), total 30; Confirmed 54; Communicants, (added) 30, died 7, removed 1: present number 137; marriages 10; burials 9; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 8, female 13;) total 21: pupils, 125.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, via:

Bibles and Prayer Bo	okı	l,	-		-		-		-		-		-		•		- :	2	25
Domestic Missions, Foreign Missions,	•	•	-	•	•		-		•		-		-		•			3	00
Parochial objects,	•	•		•		•		•		•		•		•		•	11: 		

Services twice every Sunday, and on Holy Days. Prayers Wednesdays and Pridays during Lent, and daily during Passion Week. Catechising monthly before the congregation.

#### LEWIS COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Turin. [Vacant.]

[There is no report from this Parish.]

Trinity Church, Lowville. [Vacant.]

[There is no report from this Parish.]

#### LIVINGSTON COUNTY.

St. Peter's Church, Danby, including in the Missionary Station, Phillipsville and Cuba, in the county of Allegany, and Hornells-ville, in the county of Steuben; Rev. NATHANIEL F. BRUCE, M. D. Missionary.

Baptism (infant) 1; Communicants: present number not ascertained; Publis Services: on Sundays twice ordinarily, and frequently three times, and always when desired.

The missionary commenced his labors in the above mentioned places on the first of May, since which he has officiated regularly every fourth Sunday in each of them. In none of them is there as yet an organized congregation, but in each of them there are many persons more or less attached to the doctrines and institutions of the Church, and in each of them, Cuba excepted, there are communicants—how many I have not yet ascertained. I have been received and treated with kindness in all the above named places, and the services have been usually well attended.

During the last year of my missionary services at Honeoye Falls, I have again to mention my indebtedness to the liberality of St. Luke's Church, Rochester, which, in a time of very pressing necessity, contributed through the Rev. Dr. Whitehouse,

the sum of fifty dollars towards my support.

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## St. Michael's Church, Geneseo; the Rev. Edward Ingrasoll, Rector.

### [Report by the Wardens and Vestry.]

Congregation: about 50 families, (adults 180, children 70,) total 250; Baptisms: (adults 11, infants 17:) total 28; Communicants: (admitted 25, received 2,) total added 27; removed 12: present number 55; marriages 1; burials 5.

During the last year this church for a portion of the time has not been regularly supplied with preaching. During the fall of 1841 the Church was closed for several Sundays, undergoing repairs. The Rev. Mr. Windsor resigned his charge on the 15th of January last, but at the request of the Vestry continued to discharge the duties of Rector as his other engagements would allow, until the first Sunday in April, since which the congregation has derived much assistance and benefit from the repeated visits of the Rev. Charles D. Cooper of Mount Morris, and divine service was held in the Church by Mr Cooper and other clergymen, Sunday evenings at 5 o'clock. The Sunday School was closed for a time, but early in July was again opened with encouraging prospects; present number, teachers, (male 3, female 7,) 10: pupils, (male 12, female 30,) 42; Library 200, mostly small volumes. Efforts will now be made to increase the library and enlarge the school. In our unsettled state the monthly collections have been omitted, so that we have done but little for general church objects. The collection for the

The congregation in its average attendance on Divine service is larger than usual, and the Vestry derive satisfaction in believing all to be peaceful and prosperous.

## St. John's Church, Mount Morris; Rev. Charles DeRay Cooper, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 43, (adults 140, children 60,) total number of individuals 200; Baptisms, (adults 1, infants 3,) total 4; Communicants, (admitted 2, received 2,) total added 4, present number 55; Burials 3; Public Services, (on Sundays 75, on other days 10,) total number of services 85; Children Catechised: number of children 20; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 3, female 4,) total 7, pupils, (male 10, female 15,) total 25.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,	•	•	,	•	•		•	•	,	•	•	•	<b>\$33</b> 00	D
" Education,		•	•	•	•	•		•	•		•	•	3 0	D
Expenses of the Conve	ntio	n,		•	•		•	•	•	•	•	)	3 00	)
Increase of the Episco	pate	Fu	nd,		,	•		•	•		•	•	5 00	)
General Fund for Chur	ch (	Obje	ects.		•		•	•	,	•		)	- 3 OC	)
Rent of Bishop's house		-	•	•	•	•		•	•		•	•	5 00	)
The following sums have		bee	n co	llec	ted	for	ot	per	obj	ecti	, vi	<b>z</b> :		
Domestic Missions, -	•	,	•	•		•		•	•	•		•	837 00	•
Sunday School Library	7.	•	•		•	•		-	•	•	•		30 00	)
Contingent expenses,	•		-	•		•	•	,	-			•	25 AC	}
Christmas Fund for Di	sable	bd (	Clen	gyu	en,		,	•		-	•		30 00	)
Communion collections	٠.		•	•	•	•	-		•	•		•	24 00	)

For the last three months I have held a third service at Geneseo.

Zion Church, Avon; Rev. Samuel G. Appleton, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 46. (adults 120, children 87,) total number of individuals 207; Baptisms, (adults 3, infants 2,) total 5; Confirmed 7; Communicants, (admitted)

added 8, removed 1, present number 35; Marriages 9; Burials 5; Public Services, (on Sundays 108, on other days 23,) total number of services 131; Children Catechised: number of children 28, number of times 1; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 2, female 4,) total 6, pupils, (male 12, female 26,) total 33.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Bibles and Prayer Books, - General Fund for Church Objects,	•	•	•	•	-	•	<b>32</b> 00 <b>29</b> 00
·						_	31 00
The following sums have also been col	lected	for	other	obje	cts,	viz:	
Domestic Missions	•	•	•		•	- 1	<b>95</b> 00
Christmas Fund for disabled Clergy Paruchial objects,	- men	•				•	85 00
_						\$1	31 00

In addition to the services reported above as "public services," during part of the year a Bible Class has been held every Sunday evening; and for five or six weeks previous to the Bishop's visitation, I gave familiar lectures on confirmation two evenings in the week. This parish has been for a long time depressed by untoward circumstances, but its prespects are now favorable.

#### MADISON COUNTY.

#### St. Thomas' Church, Hamilton. [Vacant.]

[Report by Rev. F. C. Brown, late Missionary.]

Baptisms, (infants) 5; Confirmed 5; Communicants, (died 1, removed 2,) present number 30; Marriage 1; Burial 1; Public Services, (on Sundays 22, on other days 2,) total number of services 24.

The Missionary has held occasional services in the village of Hamilton, with a third service at Eaton village, where there are several church families, and a number of communicants. The attendance was good and the desire strong for the privileges of the Church.

St. Stephen's Church, Perryville; the Rev. WILLIAM M. WEBER, M. D., Missionary.

Congregation: Families 18, (adults 32, children 30,) total number of individuals 63; Baptisms, (adult 1, infants 5,) total 6; Confirmed 3; Communicants, (admitted 1, received 2,) total added 3, died 2, present number 25; Marriage 1; Burials 2.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made.

Total amount. - - - \$12 18

#### MONROE COUNTY.

### Se. Luke's Church, Brockport.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

## St. John's Church, Honeoye Falls; the Rev. HENRY LOCKWOOD, Missionary.

Occasional services continued to be held in this Church by the Rev. Dr. Bruce, until April last. The new church edifice was consecrated by the Bishop about the middle of the same month, and is of stone, capable of accommodating between three and four hundred persons with convenience. The services of the present incumbent commenced about the first of June. The shortness of time that has intervened subsequently, prevents of course any statistical details being made different from those of the preceding report. The circumstances are such as to give encouragement to hope for a gratifying growth in this infant parish.

#### Trinity Church, Pennsield.

Domestic Missions, Foreign Missions, -Parochial objects.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

Grace Church, Rochester; the Rev WILLIAM E. EIGENBRODT, Rector.

Confirmed 9; Communicants, (admitted 8, received 3,) present number 88; Marriages 2; Public Services, (on Sundays 19, on week days 6,) total number of services 25; Children Catechised 27, number of times 7; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 9, female 17,) total 26; pupils, (male 27, female 45,) total 72.

Monthly collections:—General Fund for Church objects, - 25 21

The present incumbent entered upon his duties, as Rector of this Church, on the 12th day of June last. The above report exhibits public duties as performed, monthly collections as made, and number of communicants as admitted and received only since that period. More minute details cannot be given in consequence of the recent removal of the Rector to the parish. It had been vacant since the first day of October, 1841.

## St. Luke's Church, Rochester; Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., Rector.

Congregation: (no change known.) Baptisms, (adults 24, infants 96,) total 190; Confirmed 70; Communicants, (admitted 73, received 12,) total added 85, died 4, removed 76, suspended 1, present number 405; Marriages 23; Burials 33; Public Services, (on Sundays 2, on other days 1 per week,) total number of services 196; Sunday Schools 2: teachers, (male 23, female 26,) total 49, pupils, (male 134, female 150,) total 234.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Bibles and Prayer Books, General Fund for Church Objects Christmas Fund for disabled Clerg	<b>.</b> -	•		•	 . 220	25
The following sums have also been o	xollecte	ed:				
For other objects, Theological Seminary,	-	•	-	-	\$167	00

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In addition to the above, the Rector would remark, that the weekly lectures have embraced and completed the prophet Isajah, the regular series of which has reached

on "The Church," seventeen in number, delivered on the successive Wednesdays and Fridays of that season, and on every day in Passion Week. In explanation of the statistics given, it is proper to observe, that the unusual number of removals noted among the communicants, is in consequence of the erasure from the list of all whom the Rector could not find, and who have changed their place of abode during the period of his ministry of twelve years, without applying for letters. The number given is believed to be that of the actual resident communicants. The number of regular removals this year has only been six. In the number of services are included the funeral addresses which are customary here at every interment.

The sums noted in the collections are those strictly for benevolent purposes; nothing being included under the head of "parochial objects," except the relief of poor, distribution of books, &c. If the amount raised by voluntary donation above the ordinary income of the Church, yet applied to the current purposes, were added, the aggregate would considerably exceed two thousand dollars. The confirmation which took place in April was the second within the year, and at present there are fifteen prepared for the reception of the rite, and about twenty on probation for the Hely Communion.

The year has been one of great spiritual blessing, for which the Pastor records his devout gratitude to God.

#### NIAGARA COUNTY.

## St. Paul's Church, Lewiston; the Rev. RUFUS MURRAY, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 33, (adults 102, children 65,) total number of individuals 167; Baptisms, (adult 1, infants 25,) total 26; Confirmed 5; Communicants, (admitted 1, received 2,) total added 3, removed 2, present number 38; Marriages 19; Burials 6; Public Services, (on Sundays 104, on other days 20,) total number of services 124; Children Catechised: number of children 45; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 2, female 5,) total 7, pupils, (male 15, female 30,) total 45.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,	•	•	•	•	•	73	00
" Education,	•	•	-	-	-	- 2	00
Expenses of the Convention	•	•	•	•	•	2	00
Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	•	-	-	• <sup>-</sup>	•	- 1	25
Increase of the Episcopate Fund, General Fund for Church objects,	-	•	-	`-	-	- 3	00
The following sums have also been coll	ected	for	other	obje	cts, v	is:	
Theological Seminary,			•	-	-	- \$2	00
Domestic Missions,	-	•	•	•	-	- 2	00
Christmas Fund for disabled Clergy	men,		•	-	-	- 7	00
Parochial Objects,	•	•	•	•	•	100	00

Besides the above services, I have held a third at Youngstown once in two weeks alternately during the year, where we have a good attendance, and there seems to be a manifest growing attachment to the services and Liturgy of the Church. The Ledies' Sewing Society has been advantageously carried on, and from the avails of a Pair, they appropriated \$100 for parochial objects.

# Christ Church, Lockport; the Rev. Onsern P. Holconn, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 50, (adults 151, children 105,) total number of individuals 256; Baptisms, (adults 4, infants 12,) total 16; Communicants, (received) added 7, removed 15, present number 50; Marriages 3; Burials 4; Public Services, (on Sundays 66, on other days 1,) total number of services 67; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 3, female 4, total 7, pupils, (male 20, female 25,) total 45.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made from Dec. 1841, and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions, Expenses of the Con	nvent	ion,	-	•	•		-		•	•	•	•	2	00
Christmas Fund for Parochial objects,	disab	led	Clen	yme	n,	•		•		•	•		6	06

By invitation of the Wardens, I performed eight services in Grace Church, Lockport, in the months of November, December, and January. I baptized one infant, and gave the Holy Communion on the Festival of Christmas, and took up a collection for the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, amounting to twelve dollars.

#### Grace Church, Lockport; the Rev. LLOYD WINDSON, Rector.

Congregation: Families 80, (adults 200, children 160,) total number of individuals 360; Baptisms, (infants) 16; Communicants, (admitted 8, received 13,) total added 21, died 2, removed 13, present number 76; Marriages 2; Burials 16; Public Services, (on Sundays 120, on other days 30,) total number of services 150; Children Catechised: number of children 82, number of times 52; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 7, female 7,) total 14, pupils (male 37, female 45,) total 82.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Expenses of the Convention,	<b>83</b> 00
Bibles and Prayer Books,	6 00
Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	12 00
Increase of the Episcopate Fund.	- 200
Increase of the Episcopate Fund, General Fund for Church Objects,	2 00
Remitted—object not known,	- 10 00
·	
•	<b>\$35</b> 00
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, vis	<b>:</b>
Domestic Missions,	220 00
Parochial objects,	457 00
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	\$519 AA

Among the perochial objects are included the finishing of the basement of the Church, and enclosing and improving the grounds, Sunday School Library, and a fine sett of books for the Deak and Holy Table. It affords the Rector much pleasure to be able to add to the above evidences of zeal in his parish, that through the liberality of Elias Ransom, Jr., Esq., a lot, well fenced has been deeded to the parish for a burial ground. So much has been necessarily expended this year in the parish, for Church purposes, that our contributions are less than they otherwise would have been.

### St. Luke's Church, Royalton. [Vacant.]

### [Report made by the Warden.]

This congregation, although few in numbers, with the assistance derived from the Ledies' Sewing Society, and the income from two-fifths of the school held in the Academy at this place, have, for the past year maintained regular preaching twice on each Sunday in the aforesaid Academy. Our services have been regularly attended; the number of communicants, at present, are nineteen. There has been organized within the present year, a Bible Class and Sunday School, which for the most part of the time, have been well attended.

#### ONEIDA COUNTY.

Christ Church, Bridgewater; the Rev. Fortune C. Brown, Missionary.

Congregation, about 20 families; Communicants, (received 2, removed 5,) present number 12; Marriages 4; Public Services, statedly on every other Sunday during the year 2, and sometimes more frequently, as during the winter season on nearly every Sunday 2, and occasionally on other days; total number of services about 75.

The following sum has been collected for

The present Missionary having had charge of the parish for only a few weeks, fills up this report from statements made to him by the wardens.

The parish is indebted to the kindness of the Rev. Mr. Burgess for occasional services, and especially for having sustained the public worship unaided for nearly three months of the year.

## St. Paul's Church, Holland Patent; the Rev. MARCUS A. PERRY, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 17; Baptism, (adult) 1; Marriage 1; burials 1; Public Services, (on Sundays 32, on other days two,) total number of services 34; Children Catechised 14 times; Sunday Schools 2: teachers, (male 4, female 7,) total 11, pupils (male 17, female 32,) total 49.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Expenses of the Convention Sunday School Books, -	•	-	-	-	-	•	•	-	•	-	•	-	•	<b>\$</b> 2	55 50
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The Rector took charge of this parish the first of May. His recent engagement in parochial duty, connected with the interruptions incidental to the removing and settling of his family, he hopes will be received as an apology for an imperfect account of the condition of the parish. In addition to the above collections, the the Vestry has been at considerable expense in repairs upon the parsonage antecedent to my removal.

## St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford; Rev. Hobart Williams, Rector.

Congregation: Families 42, (adults 140, Children 88,) total number of individuals 228; Baptisms, (adults 6, infants 18,) total 24; Confirmed 19; Communicants, (admitted 15, received 3,) total added 18, died 1, removed 7, present number 61; Marriage 1; Burials 9; Public Services, (on Sundays 50, on other days 12,) total number of services 62; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 4, female 6,) total 10, pupils, (male 17, female 23,) total 40.

The month!	y collections,	required by	Canon XIV,	have been	made and	appropri-
ated as follows,	VII:					

Diocesan Missions, -  " Education, -	•	•	_	•	-	_	•	•	•	_	-	_	•	87	25 00
Bibles and Prayer Books,		•		-	•,	_	•		-				•	2	00
Tracts,	•		•	-		•		-		-		-		- 2	00
General Fund for Church	obj	ect	٨,		•		•		-		•		•	4	63
The following sums have also	_			eci	ted f	for	ot	hei	0	bje	ct	۵, ۱	viz	:	
Domestic Missions		•	•		_	•		-		•		•			00
Domestic Missions, - Foreign Missions, -		• •	•	•	-	•	-	•	•	•	•	-	•	<b>\$</b> 5	00 00
Foreign Missions, -	-		•	•	-	•	•	•	-	•	•	•	•	<b>\$</b> 5	
			•	• •	- - -	-	•	•	-	•	•	•	•	<b>\$</b> 5	00

# St. Peter's Church, Oriskany; the Rev. STEPHEN Mc HUGH, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 34, (adults 83, children 60,) total number of individuals 143; Baptisms, (adults 3, infants 4,) total 7; Confirmed 3; Communicants, (admitted 4, received 3,) total added 7, died 2, removed 3, present number 54; Marriages 5; Burials 7; Public Services: on Sundays 53, on other days 1, total number of services 54; Sunday School 1, teachers, (male 2, female 4,) total 6, pupils, (male 12, female 30, )total 42.

Collections have been made and appropriated to the
General Fund for Church objects, - - - - \$4 00
The following sum has also been collected for
Parochial Objects, - - - - - - - \$169 66

The Missionary at this station removed from Holland Patent in May last. This, with the newly organized parish of Gethsemane Church, Hampton, comprise his present charge, with occasional services in the village of Manchester, and as soon as circumstances will admit of it, he intends to avail himself of a very pressing invitation to have a service in the village of Clinton as often as he can consistently with his other duties.

### St. Paul's Church, Paris Hill; the Rev. HENRY PECE, Rector.

Congregation: Families 32, (adults 91, children 58,) total number of individuals 149; Communicants, (admitted) added 1, died 3, removed 4, present number 36; Marriages 6; Burials 8; Public Services, (on Sundays 102, on other days 10,) total number of services 112.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Bibles and Prayer Books, General Fund for Church object	 ts,	-	-	-	•	•	-	-	\$5 - 74	00 15
The following sums have also been Domestic Missions, Christmas Fund for disabled Cl										
									204	<u> </u>

#### Zion Church, Rome.

### [There is no report from this Parish.]

Grace Church, Utica; the Rev. Albert C. Patterson, Rector.

Congregation: Families 88, total number of individuals 382; Baptisms, (adults 5, infants 13,) total 18; Confirmed 11; Communicants, (admitted 8, received 8,) total added 16, died 7, removed 9, present number 96; Marriages 2; Burials 8; Public Services, (on Sundays 94, on other days 12,) total number of services 106; Children Catechised monthly; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 5, female 13,) total 18; pupils, (male 26, female 49,) total 75.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions, General Fund for Church objects,							83 14
The following sums have also been collected	for (	othe	r ob	y <b>ect</b>	4 viz	:	
Domestic Missions, Rent of the Bishop's House, Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, Parochial objects,	-	•	-		-	- 7	00 38
						2649	79

The services, which were suspended at the time of the last Convention, by the enlargement of the Church, were not resumed till the last Sunday in September.

At the Sunday School, the Rector conducts the general exercises, and instructs a class of the elder children in the Scriptures. A new organ has lately been erected in the Church.

## Trinity Church, Utica; the Rev. PIERRE ALEXIS PROAL, D. D., Rector.

Congregation: Families 150; Baptisms, (infants) 30; Confirmed 12; Communicants, (admitted 13, received 4,) total added 17, died 4, removed 31, present number 142; Marriages 14; Burials 22; Public Services, (on Sundays 130, on other days 37,) total number of services 167; Children Catechised, nearly every Sunday afternoon; Sunday Schools 2, (one an infant School,) teachers, (male 5, female 10,) total 15, pupils, (male 25, female 76,) total 101.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,		_	1	-	•		,	-	-	<b>8</b> 69	82
Education,	-	-	•	-		•	•	•	•	3	00
Expenses of the Conven	tion,	•		•	-		•	-	•	4	25
Bibles and Prayer Books	, ·	-	-	-		•	-	-	•	15	30
Tracts,		-		-	-			-	•	4	29
Christmas Fund for disal	oled Clo	ergy	men	<b>.</b> -		-	-	-	-	<b>3</b> 9	86
General Fund for Church	h objec	ts,		•	-	•	•	-	•	62	94
The following sums have al	so beer	ı col	lect	ed f	or o	ther	obj	ects,	viz :	:	
Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	-		•	-	-	•	4	00
Board of Missions of the	Protes	tant	Epi	aco:	oal (	Chu	rch	in th	e U.	S.	_
	tic Mis										98
Foreign	n Missic	ons,	(Te	X88	and	W	este	m A	frica	) 11	55
In ald of St. John's Chui	ch, Cly	de,		•	-				- '	<sup>~</sup> 16	00
In aid of the Church at l	Flint, M	lichi	gan,		•	•	•	-	-	19	44
•									•	275	43

The services and order of the parish have been the same as heretofore reported. It is with humble gratitude to the Divine Head of the Church, that the Rector is ena-

bled to add that the services have never been more numerously or devoutly attended than during the past year. Under the blessing of God the congregation is united, peaceful and prosperous.

Grace Church, Waterville; the Rev. FORTUNE C. BROWN, Missionary.

Congregation: Families about 30; Baptisms, (adult 1, infants 9,) total 10; Confirmed 4; Communicants, (admitted 20, received 4,) total added 24, died 1, removed 2, present number 47; Marriages 3; Burials 3; Public Services, (on Sundays 126, on other days 16,) total number of services 140; Children Catechised 20 times; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 2, female 4,) total 6, pupils, (male 10, female 20,) total 30.

Collections have been made for

Tracts,	•	-	•	-	•		-		•		•		•	\$1	00
Theological Seminary,		-	•	•		-		-		-		•		1	00
Domestic Missions,	-	-	•	- `	•		-		-		•		•	1	27
Sunday School Library,		•				•		•		•		-		- 5	00
Christmas Fund for disabl	ed	Cle	Igy	men,			•		•		-		-	2	00
		•				•		-		-		-		<b>300</b>	00
-															
					•									<b>\$</b> 310	27

The edifice for public worship, spoken of in my former report is now completed, and will be ready for consecration by the 20th inst. It is built of wood in plain Grecian style, 26 by 43 feet on the ground. It will seat about 175 persons. The estimated expense of the building and fitting it up is \$900. The cost of the lot is \$200. An organ sufficiently large has been purchased and placed in the church by a few of the Vestry. Services have been held as heretofore frequently at Oriskany Falls, and occasionally in other neighboring villages. The missionary has appropriated but one half of his time to this place. When absent, the wardens assisted by others, have usually sustained lay reading.

#### ONONDAGA COUNTY.

Grace Church, Baldwinsville. [Vacant.]

[There is no report from this Parish.]

Trinity Church, Fayetteville; the Rev. WILLIAM W. HICKOX, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 26, (adults 73, children 50,) total 123; Baptisms, (adults) 2; Confirmed 3; Communicants, (admitted 4, received 3,) total added 7, died 1, present number 41; Marriage 1; Burial 1; Public services, (on Sundays 84, on other days 13,) total number of services 97; Children Catechised 30, usually every Sunday, or examined on the Gospel for the day; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 3, female 3,) total 6, pupils, (male 16, female 14,) total 30.

Monthly Collections:

Diocesan Missions,		•	-	•	-	•		•	-		\$16	70
Domestic Missions,												
Christmas Fund for	lisabled	Cler	gvm	n.	•	•		-	-		5	00
By individuals, a res	ponse to	a ce	II fro	m ab	road,		•	_	ı	•	30	00
											<b>8</b> 56	70

I have had charge of this parish eight months and a half, and the above includes some few services rendered at Pompey, also since that parish became vacant. It

also includes a few at Bridgeport, where I administered the Lord's Supper on one occasion to 10 persons, seven of whom were communicants of that village, and who

now have a fair prospect of an organization and house of worship.

I would also add that Trinity church has been open for prayers the Fridays during Lent; and that many of the week day services reported above were on Wednesday and Friday evenings of that Holy season. This parish has suffered much from pecuniary embarrassment during the year; gained a little in numbers, and I hope not lost in Spirit.

## Apostolic Church, Geddes; the Rev. Samuel Goodale, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 18, (adults 40, children 18,) total number of individuals 58; Baptism, (infant) 1; Communicants, (received) added 3, removed 2, present number 8; Marriage 1; Burial 1; Public Services, (on Sundays, 48, on other days 1,) total number of services 49.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

There has been but little change in this parish 'during the past year. The missionary has in general officiated on the afternoon of each Sunday, and this constitutes nearly all of his public services here.

#### St. Mark's Church, Jamesville. [Vacant.]

### [Report by the Rev. Stephen C. Millett, late Missionary.]

Congregation: Families 17, (adults 46, children 16,) total number of individuals 62; Communicants, (present number 21; Marriages 2; Public Services, (on Sundays 36, on other days 2,) total number of services 38.

General Fund for Church objects, - - - - - - - - - - - 2 50 Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, - - - - - - 2 50

## Ascension Church, Liverpool; the Rev. Samuel Goodale, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 20, (adults 66, children 32,) total number of individuals 98; Beptisms, (adults 12, infants 3,) total 15; Confirmed 16; Communicants, (admitted) added 18, removed 2, present number 23; Burials 3, and 2 out of this parish; Public Services, (on Sundays 75, on other days 15,) total number of services 90; Sunday Behool 1: teachers, (male 4, female 8,) total 12, pupils, (male 14, female 20,) total 34.

The monthly collections have not been made according to the Canon, owing to the depressed state of pecuniary matters in the parish. The amount subscribed last year for a church edifice has in part been raised. To effect this, and meet other necessary expenses, has required great exertion and no little self-denial on the part of this small congregation. We owe it, under God, to the devotion and zeal of a

communicant, who in addition to a very liberal subscription, has advanced several hundred dollars, that our church is completed, and that this vine of the Lord's planting has attained its present growth and prosperity. The unprecedented depression of the business of the village has somewhat seriously affected us. We will, however, thank God for the past, and trust him for the future, that he will give us health and strength, spiritually and temporally.

We have kept up a respectable Sunday School during the year, which the mis-

sionary has attended, frequently teaching and examining the children.

#### Christ Church, Manlius; the Rev. SETH DAVIS, Rector.

Congregation: Families 47, (adults 140, children 99,) total number of individuals 239; Baptisms, (adults 2, infants 6,) total 8; Confirmed 4; Communicants, (admitted 4, received 1,) total added 5, died 2, removed 3, present number, with those remaining at Cazenovia 96; Marriages 8; Burials 8; Public Services, (on Sundays 117, on other days 20,) total number of services 137; Children Catechised, 2d Sunday in each month; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 4, female 8,) total 12, pupils, (male 20, female 40,) total 60.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,	6 00
" Education,	- 3 00
Bibles and Prayer Books,	5 00
Tracts,	- 5 00
Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	5 00
General Fund for Church objects,	- 30
The following sums have also been collected for other object	:ts, viz :
Theological Seminary,	5 00
Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	- 15 00
Domestic Missions.	10 00
Foreign Missions,	- 4 00
Sunday School,	5 00
Parochial objects,	- 120 00
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	<b>3</b> 183 <b>3</b> 0

By the blessing of the Great Head of the Church upon the divinely appointed means of grace, this parish has steadily advanced in spiritual and divine things. The various objects of Christian benevolence in the Church, have each received due attention from the congregation, and a portion of the monthly collections have been appropriated to each. Through the praiseworthy efforts of the Female Benevolent Association of the parish, the Church, during the past year has been newly furnished with lamps, and a carpet for the aisles, and from the avails of their labor, they have procured funds, now on interest, which are designed to be appropriated to the purchasing of a parsonage, as soon as a favorable opportunity offers.

## St. John's Church, Marcellus; the Rev. T. J. RUGER, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 45, (adults 133, children 96,) total number of individuals 239; Baptisms, (adults 2, children 2,) total 4; Confirmed 3; Communicants, (admitted 4, received 1,) total added 5, present number 33; Marriages 5; Burials 6; Public Services, (on Sundays 118, on other days 12,) total 130; Children Catechised: the missionary has catechised the children of the parish Sunday School every Sunday, communion days excepted; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 5, female 5,) 8 otal 10, pupils, (male 25, female 24,) total 49.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions, "Education,	-	-	-						•				-	<b>\$</b> 5	00
Expenses of the Conventi		•	_	•	_	-	_	•			_		_	_	00
	OII			-	_	-	-	-	_	•	_	_	_	_	00
Christmas Fund for disab			(YII	en	•		•		•		-		•	3	56
Parochial objects, -				-		-		•		-		•		35	82

#### Zion Church, Onondaga.

### [Report made by the Warden.]

Since the report of last year, we have had but one service in our Church, which was on a funeral occasion. The members of the Church principally attend at the Church in Syracuse. There is no present prospect of gathering again a congregation in this Church, or of our being able to maintain public worship.

### Christ Church, Pompey. [Vacant.]

[Report by the Rev. Stephen C. Millett, late Missionary.]

Congregation: Families 27, (adults 76, children 18,) total number of individuals 94; Confirmed 2; Communicants, present number 31; Marriage 1; Burials 4; Public Services (on Sundays 36, on other days 6,) total number of services 42.

		eral Fund									
44	For the	Christmas	Fund,	• .	•	•	-	•	-	2	50
									•	42	50

### St. James' Church, Skaneateles; the Rev. J. T. CLARK, Rector.

Congregation: Families 50, (adults 172, children 72,) total number of individuals 244; Beptisms, (adults 6, infants 6,) total 12; Confirmed 18; Communicants (admitted 23, received 1,) total added 24; died 4, removed 1: present number 77; Marriages 9; Burials 10; Public Services (on Sundays 104, on other days 19,) total number of services 123; Sunday School 1; Teachers, (male 2, female 8,) total 10; Pupils, (male 25, female 36,) total 61.

The Monthly Collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missione, -	-		-	•	-	-		-	-	•	\$15	
Expenses of the Convent	tion,	•	•	-	•	•	-		•	•	5	00
Bibles and Prayer Books	7					•		-	•	•	- 3	W
The following sums have al	d oal	een	col	lect	ed:							
	-					-						<b>50</b>
Parochial Objects, -	-		-	-	-	•	•	-	•	•	331	50
											\$368	00

The Sunday School has been Catechised sometimes collectively, and sometimes in classes during the session of the school.

St. Paul's Church, Syracuse; the Rev. HENRY GREGORY, Rector.

Congregation: Families 90, (adults 290, children 160,) total number of individuals 450; Beptisms (adults 4, infants 17,) total 21; Confirmed 9; Communicants (admitted 11, received 16,) total added 27; died 2, removed 6: present number 95; Marriages 7; Burials 10: Public Services, (on Sundays 102, on other days 25,) total number of services 127; Children Catechised: number of children 76, number of times 13; Sunday School 1: teachers (male 6, female 8,) total 14; Pupils, (male 38, female 56,) total 94.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missione,	•		-	• •	- <b>954</b> 39 - 15 50
Expenses of the Convention	m	• • •	• •		10 07
Bibles and Prayer Books,	•			•	- 9 00 5 27
Tracts,	•	• -	•	•	53/
					<b>994 33</b>
The following sums have also	been (	collected	for oth	er obje	cts, vis :
Theological Seminary, - Domestic Missions, -	•		-	•	\$11.05
Domestic Missions,		•	• •	-	22 40
Foreign Missions, - Christmas Fund for disable	ed Cle	ervmen.		• •	30 00
Ordinary Parochial Object	te	• •	•		221 00
St. Matthew's church, Mo	ravia, -	-1:6		•	50 00 - 12,310 54
For the erection of a new of The purchase of a Bell,	sauren •	eunce,		•	- 538 86
Furnishing the Pulpit, De	sk and	Chancel			_ 280 00

The church edifice, whose corner stone was laid the 2d July, 1841, has been completed, and was consecrated to the worship of Almighty God on the 5th July last. Of the \$12,310 which has been paid to the builder, \$7,825 is the proceeds of a sale of the old church lot and edifice; the remainder has been obtained by a sale of a portion of the pews in the new church. The bell which occupied the tower of the old church, added to the above \$538 86 has enabled the Vestry to procure a new one, weighing 2,452 pounds. To the ladies of the congregation, whose zeal and industry anticipated our wants, we are indebted for the sum (\$280) which provided appropriate furnishings for the chancel, aisles, deak and pulpit. A small organ is provided for temporary use.

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The success which has attended this undertaking, and its favorable influence upon every interest of the parish, is cause for devoutest thankfulness. Since the opening of the new church, a Bible class has been formed; the Sunday school has been increased, and a larger congregation has attended the public worship.

### ONTARIO COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Canandaigua; the Rev. A. P. PREVOST, Rector.

Congregation: Families 50, (adults 140, children 75,) total number of individuals 265; Reptisms: (adults 5, infants 1,) total 6; Confirmed 13; Communicants: (admitted 13, received 10,) total added 23, removed 6, present number 113; Marriages 5;

Burials 3; Public Services, (on Sundays 104, on other days 65,) total number of services 169; Children catechised every Sunday, except the first Sunday of the month, the Sunday School has about 40 Pupils, under 6 female and 4 male teachers.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

General Fund for Church of Christmas Fund for disable Domestic Missions, -	rd Cler	gymei	1, -	•	•	• `	- 19	04 00 57
Sunday School Union, (by Fund to pay rent of Bishop	the pu's hous	pils of 10,	the St	inday -	Scho-	ol,) -	- <b>2</b>	17 00
Parochial objects, -		•	•	•	-	•		
							<b>\$353</b>	70

There is much to be thankful for in the condition of this congregation; but the loss it has sustained in the removal of some of its most useful members will long be felt. Since my last report, eight families have removed.

# Trinity Church, Centrefield; the Rev. T. R. CHIPMAN, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 14, (adults 39, children 27,) total 66; Communicants: (died 1,) present number 30; Burials 3; Public Services, (on Sundays 43, on other days 10,) total 53; Sunday School 1; Pupils 14, (taught chiefly by the Missionary; catechetical instruction is given in the Sunday School. With some exceptions the monthly collections have been made. It has been the practice in this parish, in consequence of their limited means, to retain these collections until the end of the conventional year, and then to deduct from the amount their incidental expenses, and transmit the balance to the Treasurer of the Diocese. There is this year no balance on hand.

For Domestic Missions there was rais to the special call in January, Contributed to the Christmas Fund,	-	•	•	•	•	<b>\$</b> 3	16	;
•						85		•

In the course of Divine Providence, this parish has become extremely weak, and their prospects for the future are dark. If means could be obtained for the erection of a parsonage and the purchase of a few acres of land in connection with it, there would probably be little difficulty in sustaining the services of the sanctuary here; if this cannot be done, there is great reason to fear that the parish must fail.

This report includes the interval between the middle of October, 1841, and the 14th of August 1842.

# Zion Church, East Bloomfield; the Rev. T. R. CHIPMAN, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 24, (adults 61, children 57,) total 118; Baptized (infants) 2; Communicants: (admitted 2,) removed 1, present number 21; Marriage 1; Burials 3; Public services, (on Sundays 38, on other days 7,) total 45; Sunday School 1: Teachers 3, Pupils 25.

A part of the monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows;

Domestic Missions,			•		<b>\$</b> 2	<b>64</b>
Education and Missions in this Diocese, (each \$2,)				_	4	00
For the purchase of books for our own Sunday Schoo			-		- 7	09
To this add collection for the Christmas Fund	-7	•		-	7	50
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I entered upon my duties in this parish, in connection with Trinity church, Centrefield, Oct. 17, 1841. My report, therefore, embraces only 10 months, and during

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more than one month of this time, I have been confined at home by sickness. I am happy in being able to say that the prospects of this parish are very encouraging. Through the vigorous and untiring efforts of my predecessor, funds were raised for the purchase of the Universalist meeting house in this place, which, after being greatly altered and improved internally, was consecrated according to the forms of our own church, on the 30th of April last. The number of the congregation is increasing, and it is hoped that there will soon be several ready and desirous to be confirmed. There is also every reason to believe that with the blessing of Providence, this parish may before long enjoy the undivided services of a Clergyman.

# Trinity Church, Geneva; the Rev. PIEREE P. IRVING, Rector.

Congregation: Families about 120, (adults 300, children about 200,) total number of individuals about 500; Baptisms, (infants) 13; Confirmed 4; Communicants, (admitted 6, received 11,) total added 17, died 4, removed 2, present number 206; Marriages 2; Burials 13; Public Services, (on Sundays 103, on other days 35,) total number of services 138; Children Catechised, (number of children 75, number of times 12; Sunday Schools 2: teachers, (male 8, female 8,) total 16, pupils, (male 60, female 60,) total 120.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions,	- 9135 00
" Education,	- 10 00
Expenses of the Convention,	- 10 00
Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	- 10 00
The following sums have also been collected for other object	s, viz :
Theological Seminary,	4 00
Domestic Missions,	- 88 00
Foreign Missions, (Nestorian,)	3 46
Fund for rent of Bishop's house,	- 95 00
Charitable purposes,	144 03
Parochial objects,	- 256 66
Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	115 00
Sunday School,	- 20 00
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The contributions reported include only those actually collected in the Church. Under the head of Diocesan Missions are included some special appropriations to churches in the diocese.

# St. Paul's Church, Richmond; the Rev. Thomas MEACHEM, Rector.

Congregation: Families 25; Baptisms, (adults 2, infant 1,) total 3; Communicants, (admitted) added 1, removed 1, present number 30; Burials 3; Public Services (on Sundays 101, on other days 16,) total number of services 117; Children Catechised twice.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions.			,	-	•	_		-	-		<b>8</b> 12	64
Bibles and Prayer Book	ka.	-	•	-		_	-		•	-	<b>V U</b>	50
Tracts	,			•	_	-		•	-			50
General Fund for Church	ch obje	cts,	-	-		-	•		•	•		43
The following sums have		•	llec	ted	for							
Domestic Missions.		-			•	-		-			. 3	12
Foreign Missions, -	•	•	_	_	-		_	_			ĭ	00
Christmas Fund for dis	abled (	Cireo	vme	n.	_	•					. <b>7</b>	46
Rent of the Bishop's H	louse,	-	•	<b>-</b> ,	-		-	•		•	1	50
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											431	13

# St. John's Church, Vienna; the Rev. Erastus Spalding, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 35, (adults 80, children 70,) total number of individuals 150; Communicants, (present number) 9; Marriage 1; Burials 8; Public Services, (on Sundays) 40, exclusive of funeral services.

Collections for the General Fund for Church objects, - - \$4 43

Besides the above I have had 22 public services at Newark, baptised 3 children, and attended the funeral of one. At Sodus I have held 7 public services, and attended one burial. At Palmyra I have had three public services, and married one couple, and at Lyons two public services. Seven Sundays I was prevented from officiating by reason of ill-health.

The prospects of the Church here are by no means flattering. I know there is a power that is able to plant the Church of Christ even in the very heart of Satan's kingdom. My heartfelt prayer is that that power may be exerted here. But until it is most effectually done, there can be little to hope for the cause of the Church.

#### ORLEANS COUNTY.

# St. John's Church, Medina; the Rev. STEPHEN DOUGLASS, Rector.

Congregation: Families 23, (adults 76, children 61,) total number of individuals 137; Baptisms, (adult 1, infants 19,) total 20; Communicants, (admitted 7, received 6,) total added 13, removed 2, present number 47; Marriages 2; Burials 7, of these but three were from the parish, and they young children; Children Catechised generally on the afternoon of Communion Sundays, and between the services on other Sundays.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan M	issions,	•	•	-	•	-	-	-	•	-	•		<b>\$</b> 5	00
" E	ducation,	•	•	•	•	-		•	-	_		•	4	00
Bibles and	Prayer Book	В,	-	-	•		•	-	-	,	-	,	3	00
Tracts,	• • •		•	•	•	•		•	-	-		-	1	74
The following	sums have al	so be	en c	olle	cted	for	oth	er o	bjec	ts, 1	riz :	:		
Theological	Seminary.	-	•	•	-	,	•	-	•	•	-		5	00
Theological Domestic M	issions, -		-	-	•	-		•	•	-		•	12	50
Foreign Mis	sions, -	•	-	•	-		•	-	-	•	•		2	26
Christmas F	and for disa	bled	Cler	gyn	en,	-		-	•	-		•	5	00
	hop's House,		-	-	•		-	-	•	•	-		1	50
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												•	52	74

It may be proper to state that there were seventeen persons confirmed in this parish in May, 1841, which ought to have been reported last year, but was inadvertently omitted. Public service has been celebrated generally twice every Sunday, and on many of the festivals and fasts of the church. It is my desire to observe all the Holy Days appointed by the church, but the congregation will not attend the services.

### OSWEGO COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Constantia. [Vacant.]

[There is no report from this Parish.]

# Zion Church, Fulton; the Rev. A. C. TREADWAY, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 16, (adults 50, children 30,) total number of individuals, 80; Baptisms, (infants) 4; Communicants added 4, total 21; Public Services, (on Sundays) 48.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions, Domestic Missions,										
Christmas Fund for Parochial objects,	disabl	ed C	lergy	men,	•	•	•	•	3	00

The attendance on public worship is small, but uniform; the regular members of the congregation seldom being absent. In fact, I consider this a very interesting parish—few in numbers and feeble in resources it is true, but imbued with the spirit of pure religion, and devoutly observant of the ordinances of the Church. One great discouragement to the people here, however, is, that their house of worship still remains in an unfinished state, and is at this moment in jeopardy on account of a debt contracted for the lot.

# St. Luke's Church, Granby; the Rev. A. C. TREADWAY, Rector.

Congregation: Families 35, (adults 100, children 30,) total number of individuals 130; Baptisms. (infants) 3; Confirmed 4; Communicants, (admitted 3, received 6,) total added 9, present number 16; Marriages 2; Burials 2; Public Services, (on Sundays) 72; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 1, female 2,) total 3, pupils, (male 5, female 9,) total 14.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions, Christmas Fund for d Domestic Missions,	lisable	nd C	lergy	men,	•	•	•	•	•	2	50
Parochial objects,									•		<b>00</b>

The building commenced last summer, was completed in the course of the early part of the winter, and was consecrated on the 27th of May. It is convenient in its arrangements, very handsomely furnished, and has a fine toned organ; and being the only house of worship in the town, is regarded as a public blessing. To the just praise due to all concerned, it is considered that much of the success of the Vestry in this undertaking has resulted from the untiring perseverance and personal sacrifices of an English gentleman residing in the neighborhood, and recently a member of Zion Church, Fulton. The building, it is believed, cost something under \$2000, and is paid for. The congregations are usually numerous, and the people devoutly conform to our mode of worship. Many Prayer Books and Tracts have been distributed. On those Sundays when there is no preaching the Church is opened for lay reading. In addition to my ordinary duties, I have also rendered other services in different parts of this and the adjoining towns, with apparent good results.

# Christ Church, Oswego; the Rev. John McCarty, Rector.

Congregation: Families 65, (adults 270, children 175,) total number of individuals 445; Baptisms, (adults 3, infants 27,) total 30; Confirmed 16; Communicants, (admitted 7, received 5,) total added 12, removed 4, present number about 95; Marriages 10; Burials 15; Public Services, (on Sundays 102, on other days 10,) total number of services 112; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 3, female 6,) total 9, pupils, (male 35, female 50,) total 85.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions, - Expenses of the Convention	•		_	•	•	_	•	_	•		•	- 85	00
Expenses of the Convention, Bibles and Prayer Books, Tracts,	•	•	_	•	•		•	•	•	•	•	9	50
Tracts,  The following sums have also be						•		•		•		- 3	•
Domestic Missions, Christmas Fund for disabled C	Ylan	•		•	•	_	-	_	•	_	•	14	58
Zion Church, Fulton,	-	8J# •	orti,	-	•	•	-	•	•	•	•	14	œ
												954	20

The children are not catechised but in the Sunday School. The repairing of the interior of the church mentioned in the last report was completed in September last, at an expense of about \$800.

### SENECA COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Seneca Falls; the Rev. CHARLES G. ACLY, Rector.

Congregation: Families 60; Baptism, (infant) 1; Confirmed 10; Communicants (admitted 9, received 4,) total added 13, died 1, removed 6, present number 51; Marriages 5: Burials 8; Public Services, (on Sundays 101, on other days 30,) total number of services 131; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 5, female 7,) total 12, pupils, (male 20, female 40,) total 60.

The Monthly Collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, via:

Diocesan Missions, Christmas Fund for disal	oled	Cle	RY	nen,		•	•	•	•	16	00	
General Fund for Church Parochial objects, -	7 00	Jech	•									
									•	<b>9</b> 65	93	

In addition to the services above mentioned, I have officiated once on every Sunday, since first December last at West Cayuga, where my feeble labors have been rewarded with an attentive and increasing congregation. This instance furnishes a remarkable illustration of the conservative power of the Liturgy, in reducing the most discordant elements into order and harmony. The congregation is composed of Churchmen, Methodists, Presbyterians and Baptists. Nevertheless, there is but one confession, one response, one prayer. The most of them, being provided with Prayer Books, units audibly in the solemn ritual of the Church, and seldom do we see the services better sustained.

## APPENDIX.

# St. Paul's Church, Waterloo; the Rev. Eli Wherler, Minister.

Congregation, not ascertained; Baptisms, (infants) 10; Confirmed 3; Communicants, (admitted 2, received 1,) total added 3, removed 1, present number, 60; Marriages 3; Burials 3; Public Services, (on Sundays 98, on other days, 10,) total number of services 108; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 4, female 10,) total 14, pupils, (male 37, female 41,) total 78.

Collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

General Fund for Church	Ob	iects.		-		-		-	•	_		•		<b>\$36</b>	37
Domestic Missions, -	•	•	•		-		-		•		•		-	5	
Sunday School,	•	-	•	-		-		•		•		•		17	08
Christmes Fund for disabl	led (	Clerg	ym	en,			-		•		-		-	11	71
Parochial objects, -	•	• •	•	•		-		-		-		•		81	71
Parochial objects, Rent of Bishop's House,	•	•	•		-		•		-		•		-	5	00
														8157	05

It has been my practice for some months past to catechise one of the Sunday School Classes on every Sunday morning. The Sunday School, although not so large as formerly, has been kept in operation throughout the year, and very satisfactorily conducted, by its efficient Superintendent. And the scholars have been commendably punctual in their attendance. The Bible Class has also been continued through the year with the exception of the two weeks last past.

### STEUBEN COUNTY.

# St. Thomas' Church, Bath; the Rev. PHINRAS L. WHIPPLE, Rector.

Congregation: Families 34, (adults 117, children 73,) total number of individuals 190; Baptisms, (adults 2, infants 5,)total 7; Confirmed 10; Communicants, (admitted) added 4, removed 3, present number 37; Marriages 2; Burials 11; Public Services, (on Sundays 98, on other days 18,) total number of Services 116; Children Catechised 15, number of times 30; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 1, female 3,) total 44pupila, (male 16, female 18,) total 34.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Expenses of the Convention,	•		-				\$2 00
increase of the Episcopate Fund,	-	•	-	-	•	-	3 00
General Fund for Church objects,		•	•	•	•	•	21 04
The following sums have also been c	ollec	ted i	or oth	er ob	jects	, vis :	<b>:</b>
Domestic Missions,		•	•	-	-	•	2 00
Obrietmas Fund for disabled Clera	yme	n,	-	-			923
Parochial objects,	-	•	-	•	-	•	260 00
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In addition to the above services the Rector has officiated ence in Heward, and administered the Communion to seven members of the church, once at Mud Creek, and once in Cohocton. The parish of St. Thomas is exerting itself with praisewesthy seal and liberality to sustain the regular services of the Church. To the very laudable efforts of the ladies we are indebted for means to procure a fine toned hell and to make other improvements in the church.

# Christ Church, Corning; Rev. Richard Snith, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 15, (adults 45, children 30,) total number of individuals 75; Baptisms, (adult 1, infants 2,) total 3; Communicants, (admitted 1, received 2,) total added 3, present number 12; Marriages 2; Burials 8; Public Services, (on Sundays 105, on other days 11,) total number of services 116; Sunday School taught by the Missionary: pupils, (male 7, female 5,) total 12.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Diocesan Missions, General Fund for Church	•	bioet-	-		-		-		-		-		•		<b>8</b> 3	00	)
Domestic Missions,		ojecu,	-	•	-	•	•	•	-	-	-	•	•	•	2	50	)
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The embarrassed state of the church edifice at Big Flatts, destroys all hope of its being freed from its present incumbrance. I continued my labors there to the end of the year, and then terminated them. I have steadily pursued my labors at Corning; we have opened a small chapel in which we worship: our congregation is small, but very attentive. I have, since I ceased my labors at the Big Flatts, given a service each Sunday at Painted Post. Through the change of times, our present prospects are truly discouraging. It affords me pleasure to state, however, that we have had given to us from the Corning Company, through their agent, W. H. Bostwick, Esq., a lot of land about 1-4 of an acre, on which to build a parsonage house should the times get better.

# St. James' Church, Hammondsport; the Rev. WILLIAM W. Bostwick, late Missionary.

Since my last report, I have officiated one half of the time in St. James' Church, Hammondsport, one-fourth in Waine, and one-fourth in Hornellsville, and have performed occasional other services in Bradford, Cameltown, and other places. The term of my engagement at Hammondsport expired the 1st of May, since which time I have officiated one Sunday at Bradford, one in Bath, one in Hammondsport, and in various places in Illinois and Michigan, which I visited. My connection with this station having ceased on May 23d, I report to that time: Baptisms in St. James Church, Hammondsport, (adults 3, children 3,) total 6; Communicants (added) 8, present number 38—several of those added reside in Waine and Bradford; Marriages 2; Burials 2. In Waine baptised 4 children; in Hornellsville baptised one adult and four children; admitted 4 to the Communion, whole number of communicants at Hornellsville, 10. The children in Hammondsport have been regularly catechised. The contributions to the funds of the Diocese have been as follows at Hammondsport:

Diocesan Missions, Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, General Fund for Church objects,								
,								\$11 46
At Waine—For Diocesan Missions, - Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	•	•	•	-	•	•	•	- 2 25 3 00 \$16 71

### TIOGA COUNTY.

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# St. Mark's Church, Candar; the Rev. Lucius Carter, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 15, (adults and children) 80; Baptisms, (adults 2, children 8,) total 10; Confirmed 6; Communicants (admitted) 2, present number 19; Mar-

riage 1; Burials 2; Public Services, (on Sundays) 50, on other days 6, total number of Services 56; Children Catechised and religiously instructed 20 times.

### Collections:

General Fund for Cl Christmas Fund for								•					_	00
Domestic Missions, Parochial objects,		•	•	•	-	-		-	•		•		3	00
Parochai objects,	•	•	•	•	•		•	•		•		•	<b>30</b> <b>362</b>	

# St. John's Church, Richford.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

# St. Paul's Church, Owego; the Rev. ALFRED LOUDERBACK, Missionary.

Congregation: Families about 30, total about 150; Baptisms, (adult 1, infants 9,) total 10; Confirmed 4; Communicants, (admitted 7, received 2,) total 9, present number 35; Marriage 1; Burials 5; Public Services (on Sundays 112, on other days 8,) total 120; Sunday School 1: teachers, (male 3, female 5,) total 8.

The monthly collections, required by Cenon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

General Fund for Church of	bje	ects.	,	•	•	•		-		-		•		\$7	49
Christmas Fund for disable	ď (	Cler	gyo	16D			•		•		•		-	9	14
Domestic Missions, -		•	•		•	•		-		-		•		3	65
Parochial objects, -	•	-	,	•	•		•		•		•		-	63	28
Rent of Bishop's House,		•	-		-	-		-		_		-		2	35
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This parish has been steadily, and it is hoped, permanently increasing, during the past year. The present Rector took charge of the parish on the 1st of August, 1841, and finds much in its prospects to encourage him in his labors

# St. Paul's Church, Owego; the Rev. Isaac Swarr, officiating Minister.

[A report from October, 1840, to March 28, 1841. Omitted last year.]

Baptisms, (adults 4, infants 2,) total 6; Communicants, (admitted 3, received 4,) total added 7, died 1, present number 29; Burial 1; Public Services, (on Sundays 47, on other days 11,) total 58. A catechetical class was formed and instructed openly in the church on Sundays both in Scripture and the catechism.

The monthly collections (six) were made and appropriated, a part of which went for parochial objects.

Sunday School Books, Domestic Missions,	_													
Foreign Missions, - Christmas Fund for disable	led (	Cle	TEVE	len.	•		•	-		-		•	- 4	97
Parochial objects,	•	•		•		-	•		•		•		168	08

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### TOMPKINS COUNTY.

# Christ Church, Danby; the Rev. Lucius Carter, Missionary.

Congregation: Families about 20; Baptisms, (infants) 3; Confirmed 4; Communicants, (died) 2, present number 19; Burials 5; Public Services, (on Sundays 48, on other days 12,) total number of services 60.

Collections for Parochial objects, about . - - - \$100 00

The Vestry of this Church have been in the practice of making up among themselves, and forwarding to the Treasurer of the Diocese, such sums for Church objects as they believed could be raised by monthly collections. Your Missionary has but recently learned that for the year past no such remittances have been made.

# Trinity Church, Hector; the Rev. D. Huntington, late Missionary.

Having received notice that I was appointed to the station of Hector and Enfield, I began to officiate at Enfield on the 3d Sunday in Advent, Dec. 12th, and I officiated at different places on the station, on the Sundays and other Holy Days, until Easter Monday, March 28th, 1842, when I had Divine Service at Enfield, and presided at the election of the Vestry in that place. This was the last official act which I performed at that station, for, as there was no indication of an intention to contribute to my support, I had no alternative but to abandon the station, in the hope of its being ere long occupied by a more successful missionary. I officiated at Enfield 8 Sundays, and also on Good Friday and Easter Monday. I baptised there one adult and one infant, and celebrated the Holy Communion on Easter Day, on which occasion thirteen persons received the Sacrament. I had good congregations whenever I officiated there, and there are there a few genuine Church people, who would be giad to enjoy frequent opportunities of attending divine service.

At Hector Church, I officiated on one Sunday morning, and had Evening Prayer the same day at Big Stream Point, at which last place I officiated on three Sundays to

good congregations.

In St. James' Church at the head of Seneca Lake, I officiated on three Sundays to good congregations. Two Sundays, and on Ash-Wednesday, I officiated in the Church at Johnson's Settlement, exchanging with the Missionary at that station, and at his request I celebrated the Holy Communion in that Church. Once I officiated at Millport.

Finding it impossible to continue longer on the station, without support, I left, after Easter, and have since officiated once at Ithaca, and for some weeks at Harpersville, for the absent missionary.

At present I have no appointment in the Church.

St. John's Church, Ithaca; the Rev. BETHEL JUDD, D. D, Rector.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

# Zion Church, McLean; the Rev. Erastus B. Footh, Rector.

Congregation: Families 12, (adults 25, children 15,) total number of individuals 40; Communicants, (admitted 2, received 3,) total added 5, died 1, present number 18; Marriage 1; Burials 4; Public Services, (on Sundays 4, on other days 3,) total number of services 7.

This Church has been recently connected with that of Homer.

## ARTICLE VI.

The mode of trying Bishops shall be provided by the General Convention. The Court appointed for that purpose shall be composed of Bishops only. In every Diocese, the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons, may be instituted by the Convention of the Diocese. None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension, or degradation from the Ministry, on any Clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

# ARTICLE VII.

No person shall be admitted to Holy Orders, until he shall have been examined by the Bishop, and by two Presbyters, and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons, in that case provided, may direct. Nor shall any person be ordained until he shall have subscribed the following declaration:

"I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Tesment to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the dectrines and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in these United States."

No person ordained by a foreign Bishop shall be permitted to officiate as a Minister of this Church, until he shall have complied with the Canon or Canons in that case provided, and have also subscribed the aforesaid declaration.

# ARTICLE VIII.

A Book of Common Prayer, Administration of the Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, Articles of Religion, and a Form and Manner of Making, Ordaining and Consecrating Bishops, Priests and Deacons, when established by this or a future General Convention, shall be used in the Protestant Episcopal Church in those Dioceses which shall have adopted this Constitution. No alteration or addition shall be made in the Book of Common Prayer, or other offices of the Church, or the Articles of Religion, unless the same shall be proposed in one General Convention, and by a resolve thereof made known to the Convention of every Diocese, and adopted at the subsequent General Convention.

# ARTICLE IX.

This Constitution shall be unalterable, unless in General Convention, by the Church, in a majority of the Dioceses which

may have adopted the same; and all alterations shall be first proposed in one General Convention, and made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, before they shall be finally agreed to, or ratified in the ensuing General Convention.

Done in the General Convention of the Bishops, Clergy,

and Laity of the Church, the 2d day of October, 1789.

Note.—When the Constitution was originally adopted, in August 1789, the first article provided that the Triennial Convention should be held on the first Tuesday in August. At the adjourned meeting of the Convention, held in October of the same year, it was provided that the second Tuesday in September, in every third year, should be the time of meeting. The time was again changed to the third Tuesday in May, by the General Convention of 1804. In General Convention, 1823, the Constitution was changed so as to allow each Convention to determine the period of the third year thereafter, for the meeting of the next.

The first article was put into its present form at the General

Convention of 1841.

The third article was so altered by the General Convention of 1808, as to give the House of Bishops a full veto upon the proceedings of the other House.

The second sentence of the eighth article was adopted at the

General Convention of 1811.

The words, "or the Articles of Religion," were added to the eighth article by the General Convention of 1829.

The fifth article was put into its present form at the General Con-

vention of 1838.

The same Convention adopted the following alterations.—See

Journal of General Convention of 1838, p. 24.

Strike out the word "States," wherever it occurs in the first and second articles, except where it follows the word "United," in the first part of the first article, and insert in lieu of the word "States," the word "Dioceses." Strike out the word "State," wherever it occurs in the second, third, and fourth articles, and insert in lieu thereof the word "Diocese."

Strike out the words "or district," in the fourth article.

Strike out the word "State," in the sixth article, and insert the word "Diocese."

Strike out the word "States," in the eighth article, and insert the word "Dioceses;" and in the eighth article strike out the words, "or States," after the words, "every Diocese."

Strike out the word "States," in the ninth article, and insert the word "Dioceses." Strike out the word "State," in the ninth article

and insert the word "Diocesan."

The sixth article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1841.

# CANONS

For the Government of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. Passed in General Convention, in New York, October, 1841.

## CANON I.

Of the Treasurer of the Convention.

At every Triennial Meeting of the General Convention, a Treasurer shall be chosen, who shall remain in office until the next stated Convention, and until a successor be appointed. It shall be his duty to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not otherwise be regulated; and to invest, from time to time, for the benefit of the Convention, such surplus funds as he may have on hand. His accounts shall be rendered triennially to the Convention, and shall be examined by a committee acting under its authority. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by an appointment to be made by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese to which he belonged; and the person so appointed, shall continue to act until an appointment is made by the Convention.

## CANON II.

Of a Clergyman absenting himself from his Diocese.

When a Clergyman has been absent from his Diocese during two years, without reasons satisfactory to the Bishop thereof, he shall be required by the Bishop to declare in writing the cause, or causes, of his absence; and if he refuse to give his reasons, or if these are deemed insufficient by the Bishop, the Bishop may, with the advice and consent of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, suspend him from the Ministry; which suspension shall continue until he shall give in writing, sufficient reasons for his absence, or, until he shall renew his residence in his Diocese; or, until he shall renounce the Ministry, according to Canon 38th of 1832. In the case of such suspension, as above provided for, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to give notice thereof to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese wherein there is no Bishop.

# CANON III.

Of the Election of a Missionary Bishop to the office of Diocesan Bishop.

SECT. 1. When a Diocese entitled, agreeably to the second section of the 1st Canon of 1938, to the choice of a Bishop, shall elect as taken place within three months before a meeting of the General Convention, evidence thereof shall be laid before each House of the General Convention, and the concurrence of each House, and its express consent, shall be necessary to the validity of said election, and shall complete the same; so that the Bishop thus elected shall be thereafter the Bishop of the Diocese which has elected him.

Szor. 2. If the said election have taken place more than three months before a meeting of the General Convention, the above process may be adopted, or the following instead thereof, viz: The Standing Committee of the Diocese electing, shall give duly certified evidence of the election to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese. On receiving notice of the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops, and a majority of the Standing Committees, in the election, and their express consent thereto, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned, shall transmit notice thereof to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of each vacant Diocese, which notice shall state what Bishops and what Standing Committees have consented to the election. And the same committee shall transmit to every Congregation in the Diocese concerned, to be publicly read therein, a notice of the election to the Episcopate thereof of the Bishop thus elected; and also cause public notice thereof to be given in such other way as they may think proper.

SECT. 3. When, agreeably to the first section of the 1st Canon of 1838, a Diocese requests the General Convention to elect a Bishop for the same, if the House of Bishops should nominate a Missionary Bishop to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, a vote of the said House of Deputies concurring in the nomination, shall complete the election of the said Missionary Bishop to the Diocesan charge of the

Diocese concerned.

## CANON IV.

# Of the trial of Bishops.

SECT. 1. A Bishop may be presented to the Bishops of this Church, by the Convention of his Diocese for any crime or immorality, for heresy, or for violation of the Constitution or Canons of this Church, or of the Diocese to which he belongs, provided always, that two-thirds of each order, Clergy and Laity, concur in the same. He may also be presented to the Bishops, by any three Bishops.

SECT. 2. The presentment shall be addressed to the Presiding Bishop, who shall give notice with all convenient speed to the several Bishops then being within the territory of the United States, appointing a time and place for their assembling together; and any number thereof, being not less than seven, other than the Bishops presenting.

then and there assembled, shall be a quorum, for the purpose of ordering all matters concerning the said presentment. But if the Presiding Bishop be the subject of the presentment, it shall be addressed to the next Bishop in the order of seniority.

## CANON V.

Of the Preparatory Exercises of a Candidate for Deacon's Orders[Former Canons on this subject were the sixth of 1795, and the tenth of 1808, and the fourteenth of 1832.]

SECT. 1. There shall be assigned to every Candidate for Deacon's Orders, three different examinations, at such time and places as the Bishop to whom he applies for Orders, shall appoint. examination shall take place in the presence of the Bishop and two or more Presbyters, on the following studies prescribed by the Canons, and by the course of study established by the House of Bishops. At the first examination, on the books of Scripture: the candidate being required to give an account of the different books, and to translate from the original Hebrew and Greek, and to explain such passages as may be proposed to him. At the second examination on the Evidences of Christianity, and Systematic Divinity. And at the last examination—on Church History, Ecclesiastical Polity, the Book of Common Prayer, and the Constitution and Canons of the Church. and of the Diocese for which he is to be ordained. In the choice of books on the above subjects, the candidate is to be guided by the course of study established by the House of Bishops. At each of the forementioned examinations, he shall produce and read a Sermon or Discourse, composed by himself, on some passage of Scripture previously assigned him, which, together with two other Sermons, or Discourses, on some passage of Scripture selected by himself, shall be submitted to the criticisms of the Bishop and Clergy present. And before his ordination, he shall be required to perform such exercises in reading, in the presence of the Bishop and Clergy, as may enable them to give him such advice and instructions as may aid him in performing the service of the Church, and in delivering his Sermons with propriety and devotion.

Sect. 2. The Bishop may appoint some of his Presbyters to conduct the above examinations; and a Certificate from these Presbyters, that the prescribed examinations have been held accordingly, and satisfaction given, shall be required of the Candidate: Provided that, in this case, the Candidate shall, before his ordination, be examined by the Bishop, and two or more Presbyters, on the above named studies.

SECT. 3. In a Diocese where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee shall act in his place, in appointing the examining Presbyters required by this Canon; and in this case the candi-

date shall be again examined by the Bishop to whom he applies for Orders, and two or more Presbyters, on the studies prescribed

by the Canons.

SECT. 4. A Clergyman who presents a person to the Bishop for Orders, as specified in the Office of Ordination, without having good grounds to believe that the requisitions of the Canons have been complied with, shall be liable to ecclesiastical censure.

SECT. 5. The 14th Canon of 1832 is hereby repealed.

# CANON VI.

Of Clergymen Ordained by Foreign Bishops, in communion with this Church, and desirous of Officiating or Settling in this Church.

[Former Canons on this subject were the ninth of 1789; the fifth of 1804, and the thirty-sixth of 1808, and the twenty-third of 1832; see, also, the twenty-fourth Canon of 1832.]

SECT. 1. A Clergyman coming from a foreign country, and professing to be regularly Ordained, shall, before he be permitted to officiate in any parish or Congregation, exhibit to the Minister, or if there be no Minister, to the Vestry thereof, a Certificate, signed by the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee, duly convened, that his Letters of Orders are authentic, and given by some Bishop in Communion with this Church, and whose authority is acknowledged by this Church; and also that he has exhibited to the Bishop or Standing Committee, satisfactory evidence of his pious and moral character, and his Theological acquirements; and, in any case, before heshall be permitted to settle in any Church or Parish, or be received into union with any Diocese of this Church, as a Minister thereof, he shall produce to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee, of such Diocese, a Letter of Dismission, from under the hand and seal of the Bishop, within whose Diocese he has been last connected; which letter shall be, in substance, that provided for in Section 1st of the Canon passed at this Convention, entitled " of Ministers removing from one Diocese to another," and shall be delivered within six months from the date thereof; and when such Clergyman shall have been so received, he shall be considered as having assed entirely from the jurisdiction of the Bishop, from whom the Letter of Dismission was brought, to the full jurisdiction of the Bishop, or other ecclesiastical authority, by whom it shall have been accepted, and become thereby subject to all the Canonical provisions of this Church, provided that no such Clergyman shall be so received into union with any Diocese, until he shall have subscribed, in the presence of the Bishop of the Diocese, in which he applies for reception, and of two or

more Presbyters, the Declaration contained in the Seventh Article of the Constitution; which being done, said Bishop, or Standing Committee, being satisfied of his Theological acquirements, may receive him into union with this Church, as a Minister of the same: provided also, that such Minister shall not be entitled to settle in any Parish or Church, as Canonically in charge of the same, until he have resided one year in the United States, subsequent to the acceptance of his Letter of Dismission.

SECT. 2. And if such foreign Clergyman be a Deacon, he shall reside in the country at least three years, and obtain in this country the requisite testimonials of character, before he be ordained a Priest.

SECT. 3. The 23d Canon of 1832, is hereby repealed.

# CANON VII.

# Of Ministers removing from one Diocese to another.

[Former Canons on this subject were the 3d of 1804; the 31st of 1808; the 4th of 1829, the 35th of 1832, and the 4th of 1835.]

SECT. 1. No Minister removing from one Diocese to another, or coming from any State or Territory which may not have acceded to the Constitution of this Church, shall be received as a stated officiating Minister by any Parish of this Church, until he shall have presented to the Vestry thereof, a certificate from the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which said Parish belongs, approving him as a Clergyman in regular standing. And in order to obtain such certificate, every Minister desiring to change his canonical residence, shall lay before the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he designs to reside, a testimonial from the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he has last resided, in the following form, viz:—

"I hereby certify, that A. B., who has signified to me his desire to be transferred to the Diocese of ——, is a Presbyter (or Deacon) of this Diocese, in regular standing, and has not, so far as I know or believe, been justly liable to evil report for error in religion or viciousness of life during the three years last

past."

When the ecclesiastical authority think proper, further state-

ments may be added to the above letter.

SECT. 2. But in case the Minister desiring to be transferred, has been subjected to inquiry or presentment on any charge or charges of misconduct, thereby rendering the terms of the aforesaid testimonial inadmissible, he may nevertheless be transferred, if the charges have been withdrawn with the approbation of the ecclesiastical authority, or if he have been acquitted upon trial, or if he have been censured or suspended, and the sen-

tence has had its course, so that he has been restored to the regular discharge of his official duties. And in all such cases, the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese concerned, shall, instead of the foregoing testimonial, certify to a statement of the facts, with as much detail as may be necessary to inform the ecclesiastical authority to which he desires to be transferred, of the

true standing of the party.

SECT. 3. No Clergyman, canonically under the jurisdiction of any Diocese of this Church, shall be considered as having passed from under said jurisdiction, to that of any foreign Bishop, or in any way ceased to be amenable to the laws of this Church, until he shall have taken from the Bishop, with whose Diocese he was last connected in this Church, or from the Standing Committee of such Diocese, if it have no Bishop, the letter provided for in the 1st Section of this Canon, and until the same shall have been accepted by some other Bishop, either of this or some other Church.

SECT. 4. The ecclesiastical authority, in all cases under this Canon, is to be understood to refer to the Bishop of the Diocese, or in case there be no Bishop, to the majority of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, duly convened. And if the Clergyman desiring to be received, come from a State or Territory not in connection with this Church, and having no Convention, then the above testimonial or statement shall be signed by at least three Presbyters of this Church. Nor shall any Minister so removing, be acknowledged by any Bishop or Convention as a Minister of the Church to which he removes, until he shall have produced the aforesaid testimonial or statement.

SECT. 5. The above testimonial or letter of dismission, shall not affect the canonical residence of the Minister receiving it, until he shall be received into some other Diocese by the Bishop

or ecclesiastical authority thereof.

SECT. 6. Whenever any Bishop of this Church, or where there is no Bishop, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee shall give letters of dismission to any Clergyman of the Diocese proposing to remove into another, the Bishop, or, where there is no Bishop, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, shall give notice of the same to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority to whom the letters of dismission are directed; and if the Clergyman to whom the letters of dismission are given shall not present them to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority to whom they are directed, within three months after he shall have taken up his abode in the Diocese to which he has removed, the letters of dismission shall be null and void.

SECT. 7. The 4th Canon of 1835 is hereby repealed.

# CANON VIII.

Of the mode of securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church, from time to time.

[Former Canons on this subject were the 11th of 1804; the 45th of 1808; the 3d of 1814; the 1st and 3d of 1820, the 51st of 1832, and the 7th of 1835.]

SECT. 1. As a full and accurate view of the State of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered, that every Minister of this Church shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, and Funerals, and of the number of communicants in his parish or church, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every other Clergyman, not regularly settled in any parish or church, shall also report the occasional services he may have performed; and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in Convention, and shall be entered on the Journals thereof.

SECT. 2. At every Annual Diocesan Convention, the Bishop shall deliver an Address, stating the affairs of the Diocese since the last meeting of the Convention; the names of the Churches which he has visited; the number of persons Confirmed; the names of those who have been received as Candidates for Orders, and of those who have been ordained, suspended, or degraded; the changes by death, removal, or otherwise, which have taken place among the Clergy; and, in general, all matters tending to throw light on the affairs of the Diocese; which Address shall be inserted on the Journals.

SECT. 3. At every General Convention, the Journals of the different Diocesan Conventions, since the last General Convention, together with such other papers, viz.: Episcopal Charges, Addresses, and Pastoral Letters, as may tend to throw light on the State of the Church in each Diocese, shall be presented to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. A Committee shall then be appointed to draw up a view of the State of the Church, and to make report to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies; which report, when agreed to by the said House, shall be sent to the House of Bishops, with a request that they will draw up, and cause to be published, a Pastoral Letter to the members of the Church. And it is hereby made the duty of every Clergyman having a Pastoral Charge, when any such letter is published, to read the said Pastoral Letter to his Congregation on some occasion of public worship.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, or of the person or persons with whom the Journals or other ecclesiastical papers are lodged, to forward to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, at every General Convention, the documents and papers specified in this Canon.

SECT. 5. It is recommended that the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Church in every Diocese, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee only, prepare a condensed report and a tabular view of the State of the Church in their Diocese, previously to the meeting of every General Convention, for the purpose of aiding the Committee on the State of the Church, appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in drafting their Report.

Secr. 6. The 7th Canon of 1835, is hereby repealed.

# EANON IX.

# Of Candidates for Orders.

[Former Canons on this subject were the sixth of 1795; the seventh of 1804; the seventh of 1808; the eighth of 1820; the first of 1823; the Canon of 1826; the ninth of 1832; and the fourth of 1838.]

SECT. 1. Every person who desires to become a Candidate for Orders in this Church, shall, in the first instance, give notice of his intention to the Bishop of the Diocese in which he intends to apply, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee; in which notice he shall declare whether he has ever applied for admission as a candidate in any other Diocese. No person who has previously applied for admission as a Candidate in any Diocese, and has been refused admission, or, having been admitted, has afterwards ceased to be a candidate, shall be admitted as a Candidate in any other Diocese, until he shall have produced from the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, from the Standing Committee of the former Diocese, a certificate, declaring the cause for which he was refused admission, or for which he ceased to be a Candidate.

SECT. 2. No person shall be considered as a Candidate for Orders in this Church, unless he shall have produced to the Bishop, to whom he intends to apply for Orders, a certificate from the Standing Committee of the Diocese of the said Bishop, that from personal knowledge, or from testimonials laid before them, they believe that he is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrines, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and a communicant of the same; and, in their opinion, possesses such qualifications as will render him apt and meet to exercise the ministry to the glory of God and the edifying of the Church. And when the Standing Committee do

not certify as above, from personal knowledge, the testimonials laid before them shall be of the same purport, and as full as the certificate above required, and shall be signed by at least one Presbyter, and four respectable Laymen of the Protestant Epis-

copal Church.

SECT. 3. In addition to the above testimonials, the person wishing to become a Candidate must lay before the Standing Committee a satisfactory diploma, or other satisfactory evidence that he is a graduate of some University or College, or a certificate from two Presbyters appointed by the Bishop, or, where there is no Bishop, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, to examine him, of his having satisfactorily sustained an examination in Natural Philosophy, Moral Philosophy, and Rhe-

toric, and in the Greek Testament, and the Latin tongue.

SECT. 4. When a person applying to be admitted a Candidate, wishes the knowledge of the Latin, Greek, and Hebrew languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, the Standing Committee shall not recommend him as a Candidate, until he has laid before them a testimonial, signed by at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating, that in their opinion, he possesses extraordinary strength of natural understanding, a peculiar aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence; and the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, shall have granted said dispensation. dispensation shall not be granted to any person under twentyseven years of age, nor shall any person be ordained under such dispensation, until he shall have attained thirty years of age. And in regard to the knowledge of the Hebrew language in all cases in these Canons, the Bishop shall have the sole discretion of dispensation, without reference to the age of the candidate, as mentioned in this section.

SECT. 5. With this enumeration of qualifications it ought to be made known to the Candidate, that the Church expects of him what can never be brought to the test of any outward standard—an inward fear and worship of Almighty God; a love of religion and a sensibility to its holy influence; a habit of devout affection; and, in short, a cultivation of all those graces which are called in scripture the fruits of the Spirit, and by which alone His sacred inflences can be manifested.

SECT. 6. The requisition of this Canon being fulfilled, the Bishop may admit the person as a Candidate for Orders, and shall record the same in a book to be kept for that purpose, and notify the Candidate of such record. And in any Diocese where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee may, on the same conditions, admit the person as a Candidate, and shall make record and notification in the same manner.

SECT. 7. If, after obtaining the Canonical Testimonials from the Standing Committee, the person be admitted as a Candidate by the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, he shall remain a Candidate for the term of three years before his ordination, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain the Candidate after the expiration of a shorter period, not less than one year.

SECT. 8. A Candidate for orders may, on letters of dismission from the Bishop or Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he was admitted a Candidate, be transferred to the jurisdiction of any Bishop of this Church, and if there be a Bishop within the Diocese where the candidate resides, he shall apply to no other Bishop for ordination without the permission of the former.

SECT. 9. If any Candidate for Orders shall not, within three years after his admission, apply to have his first and second examinations held, as hereafter prescribed, or if he shall not, within five years from his admission, apply to have his third examination held, (unless the Bishop, for satisfactory reasons to him assigned, shall allow him further time,) the said person shall, in

either case, cease to be a Candidate.

SECT. 10. A person desirous of becoming a Candidate for Holy Orders, shall apply to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he resides, unless the said Bishop or ecclesiastical authority shall give their consent to his application in some other Diocese. Candidates shall not change their canonical residence but for bona fide causes, requiring the same to be judged of by the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee; and they shall not be dismissed from the Dioceses in which they were admitted, or to which they have been duly transferred, for the convenience of attending any Theological or other Seminary.

SECT. 11. The 4th Canon of 1838 is hereby repealed.

Done in General Convention in the City of New York, October, 1841.

By Order of the House of Bishops, Attested,

ALEXANDER V. GRISWOLD, D. D., Presiding Bishop.

JONATHAN M. WAINWRIGHT, D. D., Secretary.

By order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Attested,

WILLIAM E. WYATT, D. D.,

President.

WILLIAM COOPER MEAD, D. D., Secretary.

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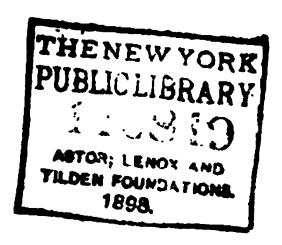
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## FORM OF THE CERTIFICATE TO BE GIVEN TO LAY DEPUTIES.

It is hearsy Certified, That at a meeting of the Vestry of Church, in in the County of , held 184 , Mr. on the day of was duly elected a Lay-Deputy to the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western New York, to be held in day of next; and that the said Deputy is on the entitled to vote for Wardens and Vestrymen in the said Church. Dated this day of 184

Rector.

Warden.

Clerk of the

Vestry.

N. B. If more than one Deputy be chosen, a certificate in the above form may be given to each, or the names of all may be included in one cartificate, varying the language accordingly.

# LIST OF THE CLERGY

### OF THE

# DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW-YORK,

August 16, 1843.

- THE Right Rev. William Heathcote De Lancey, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, Geneva, Ontario county.
- Rev. Charles G. Acly, Rector of Trinity Church, Seneca Falls, Seneca county.
  - Edward Andrews, D. D., residing at Binghamton, Broome county.
  - Samuel G. Appleton, Rector of Zion Church, West Avon, Livingston county.
  - Henry S. Attwater, Missionary at Hunt's Hollow, Portageville, and Nunda, Allegany county.
  - " Amos G. Baldwin, residing at Auburn.
  - Liberty A. Barrows, Missionary at Sherburne, Chenango county.
  - Josiah M. Bartlett, Missionary at Pierrepont Manor, Jefferson county.
  - Stephen H. Battin, Deacon, Missionary at Rome, Oneida county.
  - " John Bayley:
  - James A. Bolles, Rector of St. James' Church, Batavia, Genesce county.
  - "Edward Bourns, Adjunct Professor of Languages, Geneva College, Geneva, Ontario county.
  - Fortune C. Brown, Missionary at Waterville and Bridgewater, Oneida county.
  - Nathaniel F. Bruce, M. D., Missionary at Dansville, Livingston county.

- Rev. Nathan B. Burgess, residing at Bridgewater, Oneida county.
  - "Richard F. Burnham, Missionary at Guilford and Mount Upton, Chenango county.
  - " Leverett Bush, D. D., residing at Oxford, Chenango county.
  - " Robert Campbell, Missionary at La Grange, Chautauque county.
  - "Lucius Carter, Missionary at South Danby, Tompkins county, and Candor, Tioga county.
  - "Tapping R. Chipman, Missionary at Centrefield and East Bloomfield,
    Ontario county.
  - " John W. Clark, Rector of Zion Church, Palmyra, Wayne county.
  - Joseph T. Clark, Rector of St. James' Church, Skaneateles, Onon-daga county.
  - " Philemon E. Coe, Missionary at Medina, Orleans county, and Royalton, Niagara county.
  - " Samuel Cooke, Rector of Grace Church, Lyons, Wayne county.
  - "Charles D. Cooper, Rector of St. Johns' Church, Mount Morris, Livingston county.
  - " Levi H. Corson, Missionary at Clyde, Wayne county.
  - "William Croswell, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Auburn, Cayuga county.
  - " Seth Davis, Rector of Christ Church, Manlius, Onondaga county.
  - " Edward DeZeng, Deacon, residing at Skaneateles, Onondaga county.
  - "Stephen Douglass, Rector of Trinity Church, Elmira, Chemung county.
  - " William E. Eigenbrodt, Rector of Grace Church, Rochester.
  - "John F. Ernst, Deacon, Principal of an Academy, Batavia, Genesce county.
  - <sup>44</sup> David M. Fackler, Missionary at Norwich, Chenango county.
  - "John F. Fish, Rector of Trinity Church, Watertown, Jefferson county.
  - " Erastus B. Foote, Missionary at McLean, Tompking county.
  - " Isaac Garvin, residing at Buffalo, Erie county.
  - " John D. Gilbert, residing at Painted Post, Steuben county.
  - George D. Gillespie, Minister of St. Mark's Church, Le Roy, Genesce county.
  - "Samuel Goodale, Missionary at Geddes and Liverpool, Onondega county.
  - "Henry Gregory, Rector of St Paul's Church, Syracuse, Onondaga county.
  - " Asa Griswold, Deacon, Missionary at Harpersville, Broome county.
  - "Benjamin Hale, D. D., President of Geneva College, Geneva, Ontario county.
  - " Cicero S. Hawks, Rector of Trinity Church, Buffalo.
  - William W. Hickox, Missionary at Fayetteville and Pompey, Onca-daga county.
  - "Origen P. Holcomb, Rector of Christ Church, Lockport, Niagara county.
  - "Humphrey Hollis, Missionary at Mayville and parts adjacent, Chautauque county.

- Rev. Andrew Hull, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, New Berlin, Chenango county.
  - David Huntington, residing at Harpersville, Broome county.
  - " Nathaniel Huse, residing at Westfield, Chautauque county:
  - " Edward Ingersoll, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Genesoo, Livingston county.
  - Pierre P. Irving, Secretary and General Agent of the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, residing in New York.
  - Bethel Judd, D. D., Missionary at Sackett's Harbor, Jefferson county.
  - Sames Keeler, residing at Harpersville, Broome county.
  - Edward D. Kennicott, Deacon, Missionary at Camden, Oneida county.
  - " T. M. Leavenworth.
  - George Leeds, Rector of Grace Church, Utica.
  - " Henry Lockwood, Missionary at Honeoye Falls, Monroe county.
  - "Alfred Louderback, Missionary at Owego and Richford, Tioga county.
  - " John McCarty, Rector of Christ Church, Oswego, Oswego county.
  - "Stephen McHugh, Principal of the De Lancey Institute, and Missionary at Hampton and Oriskany, Oneida county.
  - "Thomas Meachem, Missionary at Richmond, Ontario county, and Weathersfield Springs, Genesee county.
  - "Stephen C. Millett, Missionary at Stafford, Genesee county.
  - "Thomas Morris, Missionary at Ellicottville and Olean, Cattaraugus county.
  - "Rufus Murray, Missionary at Lewiston and Youngstown, Niagara county.
  - Major A. Nickerson, Missionary at Catharines, Havanna and Jefferson, Chemung county.
  - 4 John Noble, residing at Medina.
  - " Beardsley Northrop, Missionary at Moravia and Genoa, Cayuga county.
  - "George H. Norton, residing at Richmond.
  - " James Jay Okill, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge, Chenango county,
  - " Albert C. Patterson, residing at Skaneateles.
  - "Henry Peck, residing at Paris Hill, Oneida county.
  - Marcus A. Perry, Principal of Hobert Hall, and Missionary at Holland Patent, Oneida county.
  - "George S. Porter, teacher of a private Seminary, Buffalo.
  - <sup>44</sup> Augustine P. Prevost, Rector of St. John's Church, Canandaigua, Ontario county.
  - 44 Pierre A. Proal, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Utica.
  - Ferdinand Rogers, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Brownville, and Missionary at Dexter, Jefferson county.
  - "John C. Rudd, D. D., Professor of Moral Science, and of the Evidences of Christianity in Hobart Hall, Holland Patent, and in the

De Laneey Institute at Hampton; and Editor of the Gospel Messenger and Church Record of Western New York, Utica.

- Rev. Thomas J. Ruger, Missionary at Marcellus, Onondaga county.
  - William Shelton, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Buffalo.
  - " Lucius Smith, residing at Fredonia.
  - Erastus Spalding, Missionary at Hammondsport and Wayne, Steuben county.
  - " James O. Stokes.
  - Benjamin W. Stone, Missionary at Penn Yan, Yates county.
  - " Charles B. Stout, Missionary at Westfield, Chautauque county.
  - James Sunderland, Principal of a private school, Utica.
  - Isaac Swart, Missionary at Montezuma, Cayuga county, and Jordan, Onondaga county.
  - Lewis Thibou, jr., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Angelica, Allegany county.
  - Charles J. Todd, Missionary at Brockport, Clarkson and Kendall, Monroe county.
  - \* Thomas Towell, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Oxford, Chenango county.
  - 44 Amos C. Treadway, Missionary at Fulton and West Granby, Oswego county.
  - " John V. Van Ingen, Rector of Zion Church, Greene, Chenango county.
  - " Washington Van Zandt, residing at Seneca Falls, Seneca county.
  - " Gershom P. Waldo, Deacon, residing near Perry, Wyoming county.
  - William S. Walker, Rector of St. John's Church, Ithaca, Tompkins county.
  - Nathaniel Watkins, Missionary at Cape Vincent, Jefferson county.
  - "William M. Weber, M. D., Missionary at Perryville, Madissa county.
  - " Eli Wheeler, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Waterloo, Seneca county.
  - " Russel Wheeler.
  - " Phinehas L. Whipple, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Bath, Steuben county.
  - " Rufus M. White, Deacon, residing at Fredonia.
  - " Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Rochester.
  - "Hobart Williams, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, Oneida county.
  - " Lloyd Windsor, Rector of Grace Church, Lockport, Niagara county. Total—Clergy 103.

# LIST OF THE CLERGY WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

### BISHOP.

# Right Rev. WILLIAM HEATHCOTE DE LANCEY, D. D.

### Presbyters.

Rev. Charles G. Acly,

Samuel G. Appleton,

Henry S. Attwater, Liberty A. Barrows,

Josiah M. Bartlett.

James A. Bolles,

Edward Bourns,

Fortune C. Brown,

Nathaniel F. Bruce, M. D.,

Richard F. Burnham,

Lucius Carter,

Tapping R. Chipman,

John W. Clark.

Joseph T. Clark, Philemon E. Coe,

Samuel Cooke,

Charles D. Cooper,

Levi H. Corson,

el. William Croswell,

Seth Davis,

Stephen Douglass,

William E. Eigenbrodt,

John F. Fish,

Erastus B. Foote,

George D. Gillespie,

Samuel Goodale,

Henry Gregory, Benjamin Hale, D. D.,

Cicero S. Hawks,

William W. Hickox,

Origen P. Holcomb,

Rev. Humphrey Hollis,

Andrew Hull,

Edward Ingersoll,

Bethel Judd, D. D.,

George Leeds,

Henry Lockwood,

4 Alfred Louderback,

Stephen McHugh,

" Thomas Meachem. " Stephen C. Millet,

Rufus Murray, u

" Major A. Nickerson,

Beardsley Northrop,

Marcus A. Perry, "

Pierre Alexis Proal, D. D.,

Ferdinand Rogers, 4

John C. Rudd, D. D,

" Thomas J. Ruger,

William Shelton, D. D.,

" Erastus Spalding,

Benjamin W. Stone,

" Charles B. Stout,

" Isaac Swart,

Thomas Towell,

John V. Van Ingen, 66

" William S. Walker.

" Eli Wheeler,

Phinehas L. Whipple,

Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., "

Hobart Williams,

Lloyd Windsor.

### DEACONS.

Rev. Stephen H. Battin, Asa Griswold,

Rev. Edward D. Kennicott.

Clergy-66.

LIST OF LAY DEPUTIES WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

### ALLEGANY COUNTY-

HUNT'S HOLLOW-St. Mark's Church, Charles D. Bennet.

## **BROOME COUNTY**—

BINGHAMTON—Christ Church, Tracy Robinson.

### CAYUGA COUNTY-

AUBURN—St. Peter's Church, George B. Throop, Charles B. Perry, James H. Bostwick.

Montezuma-St. Paul's Church, Dr. P. Clark.

Moravia—St. Matthew's Church, Dudley Loomis, John C. Marvin, Orsamus Dibble.

### CHEMUNG COUNTY-

ELMIRA-Trinity Church, Harvey Luce.

### CHENANGO COUNTY-

GREENE-Zion Church, Frederick Juliand.

New Berlin-St. Andrew's Church, Augustus C. Welsh.

Oxford—St. Paul's Church, Erastus E. Perkins.

### ERIE COUNTY-

Buffalo—St. Paul's Church, George B. Webster, Russell H. Haywood, Elijah Ford.

Trinity Church, Dyer Tillinghast, James M.

Smith.

### GENESEE COUNTY-

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BATAVIA—St. James' Church, Timothy Fitch, Benjamin Pringle, William A. Seaver.

#### JEFFERSON COUNTY—

Brownville—St. Paul's Church, John E. Brown.

CAPE VINCENT—St. John's Church, Orlando F. Starkey.

DEXTER—All Saints' Church, John Bradley.

PIERREPONT MANOR—Zion Church, William C. Pierrepont.

SACKETT'S HARBOR—Christ Church, Dr. D. S. Kimball.

WATERTOWN—Trinity Church, Charles Symonds.

### LIVINGSTON COUNTY-

GENESEO-St. Michael's Church, Samuel Lewis.

Mount Morris-St. John's Church, B. W. Rogers, jun.

## MADISON COUNTY-

Oneida Depot—St. John's Church, H. H. Phelps, Frederick A. Stewart.

## MONROE COUNTY-

Honeove Falls—St. John's Church, Samuel Rand.

ROCHESTER-Grace Church, George H. Mumford, S. G. An-

drews, Aaron Erickson.

St. Luke's Church, Henry E. Rochester, David Hoyt, Vincent Matthews.

### NIAGARA COUNTY-

Lockport—Grace Church, George H. Boughton.

### ONEIDA COUNTY-

CAMDEN-Trinity Church, Artemus Trowbridge.

Holland Patent—St. Paul's Church, James Brewster.

New Hartford—St. Stephen's Church, Zedekiah Sanger, James Cunningham.

Ronz—Zion Church, John Stryker.

Utica—Grace Church, P. B. Peckham, John E. Hinman.

"Trinity Church, J. Benedict, Rutger B. Miller.

### ONONDAGA COUNTY-

JAMESVILLE—St. Mark's Church, Thomas Sherwood.

JORDAN-Christ Church, William Porter, jun., D. Dierson.

Manlius-Christ Church, Elijah E. May, Thomas Clark.

MARCELLUS—St. John's Church, A. B. Cowles, Hiram Wood, Alexander Mather.

SKANEATELES—St. James' Church, Nicholas J. Roosevelt, N. De Cost.

Syracuse—St. Paul's Church, William A. Cook, Jasper Smith, Henry Easton.

## ONTARIO COUNTY-

CANANDAIGUA-St. John's Church, Charles Seymour.

GENEVA—Trinity Church, James Rees, R. C. Nicholes, Joseph G. Swift.

RICHMOND—St. Paul's Church, Jonathan Tallmadge.

### OSWEGO COUNTY-

Furren-Zion Church, John C. Highriter.

GRANBY—St. Luke's Church, Wm. R. Pennfield, Henry Proud.

## SENECA COUNTY-

SENECA FALLS—Trinity Church, Anthony Dey, John Isaacs, James Shethar.

WATERLOO—St. Paul's Church, William V. J. Mercer, Joel W. Bacon, Jesse Clark.

### STEUBEN COUNTY-

BATH—St. Thomas' Church, N. V. Knickerbacker.

### TIOGA COUNTY-

Owego-St. Paul's Church, George Bacon.

### TOMPKINS COUNTY-

ITHACA—St. John's Church, John King, Caleb B. Drake.

### WAYNE COUNTY-

CLYDE-St. John's Church, William S. Stow, William H. Griswold.

Lyons—Grace Church, A. D. Polhamus, Hon. Ambrose
• Spencer, Dennis McDonald.

PALMYRA—Zion Church, Trueman Heminway, Oliver A. Palmer.

## YATES COUNTY-

PENN YAN-St. Mark's Church, B. W. Franklin,

The following Clergymen, entitled to seats, were not present at the Convention:

Rev. Robert Campbell, John McCarty, Thomas Morris,

James Jay Okill,

Augustine P. Prevost,

Rev. Lewis Thibou, jr.,

"Charles J. Todd,
"Amos C. Treadway,
"Nathaniel Watkins,

William M. Weber, M.D.

The following Clergymen, not members of the Convention, were present at its sittings:

Rev. Amos B. Beach, of the Diocese of New York.

S. Hanson Coxe.

Orsamus H. Smith, 46

Amos G. Baldwin, of the Diocese of Western New York.

Edward De Zeng, Albert C. Patterson,

Francis A. Foxoroft, of the Diocese of Massachusetts.

Montgomery Schuyler, of the Diocese of Michigan.

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# PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

# AUBURN, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16th, 1843.

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This being the day fixed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western New York, for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the same, the Right Rev. William Heathcote De Lancey, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, with a number of the Clergy and Laity, assembled at 10 o'clock, A. M., in St. Peter's Church in the village of Auburn, the place appointed by the Bishop for the meeting.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Edward Ingersol, assisted by the Rev. Seth Davis, who read the lessons; and a sermon was preached by the Rev. Lloyd Windsor. The Bishop then administered the Holy Communion, in which he was assisted by the Rev. P. A. Proal, D. D., Rev. Henry Gregory, and Rev. John V. Van Ingen.

The Convention having been called to order by the Bishop, the Secretary of the last Convention proceeded, under his direction, to call the names of such of the Clergy in the Diocese of Western New York, as, by the Constitution, are entitled to seats in the Convention; when the following gentlemen answered to their names and took their seats as members, viz:—

Right Rev. William Heathcote De Lancey, D. D., The Rev. Charles G. Acly, S. G. Appleton, Henry S. Attwater, Liberty A. Barrows, Josiah M. Bartlett, Stephen H. Battin, James A. Bolles, Edward Bouras, Fortune C. Brown, Nathaniel F. Bruce, M. D., Richard F. Burnham, Tapping R. Chipman, John W. Clark, Joseph T. Clark, Philemon E. Coe, Samuel Cooke, Charles D. Cooper, Levi H. Corson, William Croswell, Seth Davis, Stephen Douglass, William E. Eigenbrodt, John F. Fish, Erastus B. Foot, George D. Gillespie, Samuel Goodale, Henry Gregory, Asa Griswold, Benjamin Hale, D. D., Cicero S. Hawks, William W. Hickox, Origen P. Holcomb, Humphrey Hollis, Andrew Hull, Edward Ingersol, Bethel Judd, D. D., Edward D. Kennicott, George Leeds, Henry Lockwood, Alfred Louderback, Stephen McHugh, Stephen C. Mil-

let, Thomas Meachem, Rufus Murray, Major A. Nickerson, Beardsley Northrop, Marcus A. Perry, Pierre A. Proal, D. D., Ferdinand Rogers, John C. Rudd, D. D., Thomas J. Ruger, William Shelton, D. D., Erastus Spaulding, Benjamin W. Stone, Charles B. Stout, Isaac Swart, Thomas Towell, John V. Van Ingen, William S. Walker, Eli Wheeler, Phinehas L. Whipple, Lloyd Windsor.

The Churches of the Diocese having been called, in order, for the certificates of Lay Deputies,

The Chair appointed the Rev. Cicero S. Hawks, and the Rev. William E. Eigenbrodt, under the third rule of order, to examine the same with the Secretary.

It was then, on motion of Dr. Proal,

Resolved, That the Convention take a recess until half past 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Whereupon the house took at recess until half past 8 o'clock.

# WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, 31 o'CLOCK.

The Convention re-assembled.

The Committee to whom were referred the certificates of Lay Deputies, having reported, the Secretary proceeded to call the Churches in order, when the following gentlemen appeared as Lay Deputies and took their seats, viz: from

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COUNTIES.	Churches.	DEPUTIES.
Allegany	St. Mark's, Hunt's Hollow,	.Chas. D. Bennet.
Broome	Christ, Binghamton	Tracy Robinson.
Cavuga	St. Peter's, Auburn	George B. Throop.
		Charles B. Perry.
		James H. Bostwick.
	St. Matthew's Moravia	
		John C. Marvin.
		Orsamus Dibble.
Chemung	Trinity, Elmira	.Harvey Luce.
Chenango	Zion, Greene	Frederick Juliand.
020000	St. Andrew's, New Berlin.	.Augustus C. Welch.
	St. Paul's, Oxford	
Erie	St. Paul's, Buffalo	.George B. Webster.
		Russel H. Haywood-
		Elijah Ford.
1	Trinity, Buffalo	
		James M. Smitk.

Counties:	CHURCHES.	DEPUTIES.
Genesee	.St. James', Batavia	Timothy Fitch.
	•	Benjamin Pringle.
		William A. Seaver.
Jefferson	St. Paul's, Brownville	Jno. E. Brown.
	St. John's, Cape Vince	ntOrlando F. Starkey.
	All Saints, Dexter	
		orW. C. Pierrepont.
		rDr. D. S. Kimball.
<b>-</b>	Trinity, Watertown	Charles Simmons.
Livingston	.St. Michael's, Genese	
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Monroe	.St. John's, Honeoye F	
	Grace, Kochester	George H. Mumford.
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	St. Luke's, do	Vincent Matthews.
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	Zion, Rome	
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	Trinity, Utica	
		Joseph Benedict.
Onondaga	St. Mark's, Jamesville.	Thomas Sherwood.
	Christ, Jordan	
	Christ, Manlius	
	•	Elijah E. <b>May.</b>
	St. John's, Marcellus	
		Hiram Wood.
	<b>.</b>	Alex'r Mather.
	St. James', Skaneateles.	
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	St. Paul's, Syracuse	
		Jasper Smith.
Ontario	St John's Canandaigue	Henry Easton.
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	rimity, deneval	R. C. Nicholas.
		Joseph G. Swift.
	St. Paul's Richmond.	Jonathan Tallmadge.
Oswego	Zion, Fulton	
		William R. Pennfield.
		Henry Proud.
Seneca	Trinity, Seneca Falls	James Shethar.
	,	Anthony Dey.
		John Isaacs.

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DEPUTIES,
	St. Paul's, Waterloo	William V. J. Mercer.
	•	Joel W. Bacon.
		Jesse Clark.
Steuben	.St. Thomas', Bath	N. V. Knickerbacker.
Tioga	.St. Paul's, Owego	George Bacon.
Tompkins	.St. John's, Ithaca	John King.
_	•	Caleb B. Drake.
Wayne	.St. John's, Clyde	William S. Stow.
•	•	William H. Griswold.
	Grace, Lyons	Ambrose Spencer.
	-	A. D. Polhamus.
		Dennis McDonald.
	Zion, Palmyra	
		Oliver A. Palmer.
Yates	.St. Mark's, Penn Yan	B. W. Frankfin.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Proal, the Rules of Order of the last Convention were adopted to regulate the proceedings of the present Convention, as follows, viz:—

## RULES OF ORDER:

IN CONDUCTING THE BUSINESS OF THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW YORK.

- I. At the opening of any session of the Convention, the President shall take the chair, and shall continue to preside during its sitting. He shall possess the usual powers of presiding officers in deliberative assemblies, to preserve order and decorum, and shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house. He shall have the right to name any clerical member to perform the duties of the chair, but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment, unless directed by the house. The person so named shall possess all the powers of the President, but shall not lose the right of voting while so presiding.
- II. If the Secretary of the preceding Convention be in attendance, he shall officiate as such, until another be chosen. If he be not present, or there shall be none, a temporary Secretary may be appointed on motion, by a viva voce vote.
- III. Upon the chair being taken by the President, the Secretary shall call over the names of the clergy entitled to seats in the Convention, and shall enter in the Journals those who are present. Notice shall then be given to the Lay Deputies to place their cer-

tificates on the table. They shall be examined by the Secretary and a committee of two members to be appointed by the President. Any irregular or defective certificate shall be suspended until a quorum shall have appeared. The names of the lay deputies duly appointed shall then be called, and those who are present shall be entered on the Journals. The irregular and defective certificates shall then be reported to the Convention, who shall decide on the admission of the deputies named in them.

- IV. A constitutional quorum being found to be present, the President shall declare the Convention duly organized.
- V. A Secretary shall then be chosen in the manner prescribed by the canons. He may appoint an assistant, who shall perform all the duties of the office, in the absence of the Secretary.
- VI. The following standing committees shall then be appointed by the President:
  - 1. On the admission into union with this Convention of churches applying for the same, to consist of one clergy-man and two laymen.
  - 2. On the accounts of the Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled clergymen, to consist of three laymen.
  - 3. On the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention, to consist of three laymen.
  - 4. On the report of the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, and the condition of the fund, to consist of three laymen.
  - 5. On unfinished business, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen.
- VIL. A Treasurer of the Convention, and a Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled clergymen, shall then be appointed by ballot, unless dispensed with by an unanimous vote, when they may be appointed on motion.
- VIII. After the Daily Morning Prayer, the order of business, which shall not be departed from without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, shall be as follows:
  - 1. The reading, correcting, and approving of the minutes of the preceding day.
  - n. Calling the names of the absent members, and entering in the Journal those who appear.
  - m. Reports from standing committees in the following order:
    - 1. On the admission into union with the Convention of this Diocese, of churches applying for that purpose.
    - 2. On the account of the Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled clergymen.
    - 3. On the Treasurer's accounts.

- 4. On the report of the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, and the condition of the fund.
- 5. On unfinished business.
- rv. Reports from the Secretary and Treasurer, when those officers have any business committed to them, shall then be in order: and then reports form the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate, and from the Trustees of the Christmas Fund for disabled clergymen.
- v. Reports from Special committees in the order in which they were appointed.
- vi. Motions, resolutions, and miscellaneous business.
- 1X. The Bishop's Address shall be in order at any time.
- X. Every member who shall be present when a question is stated from the Chair, shall vote thereon unless excused by the house.
- XI. No motion shall be put or debated until it is seconded; and when seconded, it shall be stated by the President before debate, and every motion shall be reduced to writing when required by the President, or any member.
- XII. If the question in debate contain several distinct propositions, any member may have the same divided.
- XIII. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received unless to postpone it indefinitely; to postpone it to a certain time; to lay it on the table; to commit it or amend it; and motions for either of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. But a motion to adjourn shall always be in order when no member is speaking, and shall be decided without debate; and if it be negatived, it shall not be renewed until some other business has intervened.
- XIV. A motion to lay on the table shall be decided without debate.
- XV. On a question being put by the President, it shall be determined by the sound of voices, for or against it, but any member may require a count of the votes, and tellers for that purpose shall be appointed by the chair—or any three votes may, previous to a decision by count, require the ayes and noes to be taken, which shall be done by calling the names of the clerical members and the churches represented, and the votes shall be entered in the Journals.
- XVI. Any five votes may require the ayes and noes to be taken by orders, and when so taken, they shall be entered on the minutes.
- XVII. No member may speak more than twice on the same question without leave of the house.

- XVIII. A question being decided, shall not be re-considered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the votes of the convention, nor without the motion for that purpose being made by one of the majority on the prior decision: nor shall any question be re-considered more than once.
- XIX. All special committees shall be appointed by the chair, unless otherwise specially directed by the house, in which case they shall be appointed by ballot.
- XX. The election of the Standing committee, and of Deputies to the General Convention, and the election of any person to supply a vacancy in the Board of Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, or in the Board of Trustees of the Christmas Fund for disabled clergymen, shall be the first business, after the approval of the minutes, on the second day of every annual meeting of the Convention.
- XXI. No standing rule or order shall be suspended, changed, or rescinded without one day's previous notice of a motion to that effect, unless by the votes of two-thirds of the persons present entitled to vote.
- XXII. Before the final adjournment of any session of the Convention, the minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read, corrected and approved.
- XXIII. Unless otherwise ordered by the Convention, it shall meet at nine o'clock in the morning, take a recess from one to three o'clock in the afternoon, and adjourn for the day at six o'clock, P. M.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot for a Secretary:—whereupon, the Rev. Pierre A. Proal, D. D., was elected.

The Chair announced to the house, that the Secretary had appointed the Rev. William E. Eigenbrodt his assistant.

On motion,

Resolved, That Clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention; Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese; and Professors and students of Theology in the Protestant Episcopal Church, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention.

The Bishop having announced the invitation embraced in the preceding resolution the following named gentlemen took their seats in the Convention, viz:

The Rev. Amos G. Baldwin, Amos B. Beach, S. Hanson Coxe, Edward De Zeng, Francis H. Foxcroft, Albert C. Patterson, Montgomery Schuyler, Orsamus H. Smith.

The Chair then announced the following Standing Committees according to the 6th rule of order:

On the admission into Union with this Convention of Churches applying for the same.

Rev. Cicero S. Hawks, Messrs. Joseph Benedict, Vincent Matthews.

On the accounts of the Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen.

Messrs. Henry E. Rochester, Dyer Tillinghast, P. G. Peckham-

On the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention.

Messrs. W. C. Pierrepont, John E. Hinman, George H. Mumford.

On the Report of the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate.

Messrs. George B. Webster, G. B. Throop, R. B. Miller.

On Unfinished Business.

Rev. J. V. Van Ingen, Joseph G. Swift, Trueman Heminway.

The Report of the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate was then presented: and having been read, was, on motion, referred to the standing Committee on the subject.

The Chair presented to the house communications from Messrs.

A. B. Johnson and Hiram Denio, resigning their offices as Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate; which, on motion, were referred to the same Committee.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Proal, the Bishop was added to the above Committee.

The following Churches applied for admission into union with this Convention, viz:

Trinity Church, Camden, Oneida county.

St. John's Church, Oneida Depot, Madison county-

St. Paul's Church, Montezuma, Cayuga county.

Zion's Church, Windsor, Broome county.

On motion, these applications were referred to the Standing Committee "On the admission of Churches into union with the Convention."

The Bishop then, in compliance with the canon, delivered the following

## ADDRESS.

My Brethben—The Clerical and Lay Members of the Convention.—

In his merciful providence, our divine Lord and master has permitted us again to assemble for the discharge of our respective duties as the council and legislature of the Diocese. May his wisdom guide and his spirit sanctify us in all our deliberations and proceedings, that discord may be driven far away from us, and love and peace fill and animate every bosom!

My first duty is to present you, according to the requisition of the canon, with a record of my official acts.

On Friday, the 19th of August, the day after the adjournment of the Convention, I held an ordination in St. Paul's church, Syracuse, at which Mr. Edward D. Kennicott was admitted to the holy order of Deacons, and the Rev. Samuel Goodale, deacon, to the holy order of Priests. I administered the holy communion on the occasion.

The next day, the 20th, I consecrated Gracechurch, Waterville, Oneida county, and confirmed six persons and preached.

On Sunday, the 21st, I held an ordination in the same church, and admitted the Rev. Fortune C. Brown, deacon, to the Priest-hood, on which occasion I preached and administered the holy communion.

I preached in St. Paul's church, Paris Hill, on the afternoon of the same day.

I preached in the Methodist house, Havana, on the afternoon of the 25th.

On the 26th, in St. John's church, Catharines, Chemung county, I admitted the Rev. Major Anson Nickerson, deacon, to the holy order of Priests, and administered the holy communion.

On the 27th, I baptized one infant, and preached in the temporary chapel fitted up for the congregation of Christ church, Corning, Steuben county.

On the 28th, I preached in the morning and administered the holy communion in Trinity church, Elmira, Chemung county,

and in the afternoon I preached and confirmed twelve persons having previously confirmed one in private who was sick. The Rev. Mr. Metcalf having resigned this parish and removed from the Diocese, it was immediately supplied by the services of the Rev. Stephen Douglass, of Medina.

On Sunday, September 4th, I administered the holy communion in the morning, and read prayers in the afternoon, in Geneva, and also,

On the 11th, I preached twice in the same place.

On the 15th, I preached in St. Mark's church, Penn Yan.

My visitation being interrupted by the necessity of visiting the city of New York, I officiated out of the Diocese on sundry occasions, as in Grace church, New York, on the 25th, in Christ church, Rye, on the 2d October, and in St. Thomas, Mamaroneck, on the afternoon of the same day.

I had also the very high gratification, on the 28th of September, of uniting in the opening services of the Convention of the Diocess of New York, by reading the ante-communion service and aiding in the administration of the holy sacrament of the Lord's Supper, and by invitation, of attending the subsequent sittings of that most important and influential body, whose proceedings were characterised by ability, harmony and dignity.

On the 2d October, I preached in the morning at Christ church, Rye, and in the afternoon in St. Thomas' church, Mamaroneck, and on the 23d, in Trinity church, New Rochelle, twice.

October 30h, I preached in the morning, and read prayers in the afternoon in the Medical Hall, Geneva, and in the same place, on November 6th, I preached and administered the holy communion.

November 10th, I attended the meeting of the Standing Committee as the Missionary and Education Board. On this occasion, on the certificate of the Standing Committee I admitted Mr. Jacob Rice Taylor, and Mr. William H. P. Paddock, candidates for hely orders, and received the canonical testimonials in behalf of the Rev. Edward Bourns, and the Rev. John W. Clark, deacons, recommending them for Priests' orders.

November 12th, I received the Rev. Wm. S. Walker, into this Diocese from *Pennsylvania*. He has taken charge, as Rector, of St. John's church, *Ithaca*, vacant by the resignation of the venerable Dr. Judd.

November 27th and December 4th, I preached at Geneva, on the last day administering the holy communion.

December 4th, I received notice of the canonical displacement from the ministry of David E. Devens, by the Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut.

December 11th, I preached in Geneva.

December 17th, I received into this Diocese the Rev. James Jay Okill, who has accepted the rectorship of St. Peter's church, Bainbridge.

December 18th, I preached twice in St. Paul's church, Waterloo.

December 25th, I preached twice in St. Paul's church, and once in St. Peter's church, Albany, and administered the holy sommunion in the former.

On the 29th, I attended in Trinity church, Boston, the consecration of the Rev. Manton Eastburn, as assistant Bishop of Massachusetts, and preached the sermon on the occasion. There were present the Rt. Rev. Dr. Griswold, presiding Bishop, as consecrator, and the Bishops of Connecticut, New York, and Western New York, as assisting.

On the 5th January, I received into this Diocese the Rev. Richard F. Burnham, from the Diocese of Pensylvania. He has taken charge of the Missionary station of Guilford and Mount Upton.

On the 8th of January, 1843, I read prayers and preached twice, in the basement room of the new church edifice, at Geneva.

On the 15th, I preached twice in St. James' church, Batavia, and confirmed in the evening five persons.

On the 19th, I had the gratification of consecrating the new church edifice of Trinity church, Buffalo, the erection of which, in times of great pecuniary embarrassment, is highly honorable to the piety, energy and liberality of the pastor and flock. This church has adopted the plan of supscription for a new church, recommended by the Convention in 1840, and being free from debt, and well provided for by this plan as to its future support, instead of repelling new comers by fear of being involved in a church debt, presents attractions that have filled its pews at once.

<sup>\*</sup>See Journal 1840, p. 4.

On the 20th, I instituted the Rev. Cicero S. Hawks into the rectorship of Trinity church, and preached on the occasion.

On the 22d, I preached and confirmed fourteen persons in St-Paul's church, Buffalo, which church edifice, having been newly painted and beautified in the interior, presents a very neat and chaste appearance.

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On the 5th February, I preached three times in St. John's church, Canandaigua, administering the holy communion in the morning, and on the 7th, I confirmed a sick member of that Parish in private.

I visited Clyde on the 11th, preached in St. John's in the evening of that day, and the next day, Sunday the 12th, I preached twice and confirmed ten persons.

On the 22d, I preached in St. Michael's church, Geneseo, in the evening, and again the next day, in the morning, in the same church, and in the evening in St. John's church, Mount Morris.

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On March 1st, Ash-Wednesday, I preached and confirmed thirteen persons in St. John's church, Honeoye Falls, and preached again in the evening.

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March 12th, in Zion Church, Palmyra, I admitted the Rev. Edward Bourns, adjunct Professor of Languages in Geneva College, and the Rev. John W. Clark, minister of Zion church, Palmyra,

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In the afternoon of the same day, in the same church, I preached and confirmed two persons.

On Saturday evening the 18th, I preached in Grace church, Lyons.

On Sunday, the 19th, in the same church, I preached morning and evening, and at the former service I confirmed twelve persons, and administered the holy communion.

On Sunday, the 26th, I preached in the morning at the School . house at *East Vienna*, and in the afternoon at the School house in *West Vienna*.

On the 27th, I admitted Mr. Allen Sheer as a candidate for holy orders in this Diocese, on the recommendation of the Standing Committee.

On Thursday the 30th, in St. James' church, Skaneateles, I admitted Mr. Edward DeZeng to the holy order of Deacons, and administered the holy communion.

And the next day in the same Parish, I confirmed six persons, (one of whom belonged to St. John's church, Clyde,) and preached in the evening.

On Sunday the 2d of April, I preached twice in St. Peter's church, Auburn, and confirmed in the evening five persons.

On the 6th, at Geneva, I baptised two children, and on the 7th I baptised the infant child of the Rector of Trinity church in that village.

On the 7th, I received the Canonical notice of the displacement of the Rev. Samuel McBurney from the ministry by the Bishop of Massachusetts.

On the 9th, I visited Seneca Falls, where in Trinity church I preached twice, confirming in the afternoon twenty persons.

On the 10th, in St. Paul's church, Waterloo, I held a second confirmation, preached and confirmed three persons.

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On the 30th, I preached in the morning in St. Paul's church, Troy, New York, and in the afternoon in St. John's church in the same city.

On the 14th, I preached at Geneva in the morning.

On the 21st, I preached in the morning in Trinity church Centrefield, and in the afternoon in Zion church, East Bloomfield, confirming at the latter church eighteen persons, including ene person belonging to the former Parish.

On the 22d, I preached in St. John's church, Canandaigua, where by request of the Rector, I baptised three children and confirmed thirteen persons.

On the 23d, I admitted Mr. Benjamin Birge Griswold and Mr. Samuel K. Miller, on the recommendation of the Standing Committee, as candidates for holy orders.

On the 25th, I preached and confirmed four persons in St. Mark's, Penn Yan, and also baptised the infant child of the Missionary.

On the 26th, in the Presbyterian house of worship, Wayne, I preached and confirmed three persons.

In St. James', Hammondsport, on the 27th, I preached and confirmed six persons.

In St. Thomas', Bath, on the 28th, I preached twice, administered the communion and confirmed sixteen persons.

On the 30th, in the School house at Dansville, I preached twice.

In St. Michael's, Geneseo, I preached and confirmed four persons, on the 31st.

June 1st, I preached and confirmed ten presons in Zion church, Avon, and the next day I preached again and baptised the infant child of the Rector.

On the 3d, I preached and confirmed one person in the School house at Mumfordville, and in the evening of the same day I preached in St. Mark's, Le Roy.

Whit Sunday, June 4th, I administered the communion preached and confirmed nine persons in St. Mark's, Le Roy.

In St. Paul's church, Stafford, I preached the same day and confirmed fourteen persons.

I officiated in the Methodist house of worship at Perry, on the afternoon of the 5th.

The next day, 6th June, I preached in the morning in St. Clement's, Weathersfield, and confirmed seven, and in the afternoon I preached in the Baptist house of worship at Warsaw, where, also, I baptised one child.

In St. John's church, Sheldon, I preached on the 7th of June, and baptised one child.

I preached and confirmed nineteen on the morning of the 8th, in St. James', Batavia, and in the evening baptised one adult.

I officiated in the Academy of Royalton on the 10th.

On the 11th, I preached and confirmed twenty-two in the morning in Grace church, Lockport, and in the afternoon in Christ church in the same town, I preached and confirmed nineteen persons.

Services were held three times in St. John's, Medina, on the 13th, where, in the morning, I preached, confirmed seven persons, and administered the communion, and baptised one adult; in the afternoon I baptised one infant, and at a third service I confirmed three other persons, making in all ten for that Parish.

I preached for the first time in Albion, on the 14th, in the Presbyterian house.

On Thursday the 15th, I preached and confirmed one person in the Baptist house, Kendal Corners.

On Friday morning I preached in the School house in Clarkson, and in the afternoon of the same day I preached in the Baptist house, Brockport, and confirmed two persons.

Sunday the 18th, I spent at Rochester, where in St. Luke's church I preached and confirmed twenty-eight persons; and in the afternoon preached in Grace church and confirmed eleven persons.

June 25th, in St. John's church, *Ithaca*, I had the pleasure of instituting the Rev. William S. Walker into the Rectorship of the same; and also, in the afternoon, of confirming twelve persons. I preached on both occasions.

In St. Mark's church, Le Roy, on the 30th, I admitted the Rev. George D. Gillespie and the Rev. Philemon E. Coe, deacons, to the order of Priests, and administered the holy communion; the sermon on the occasion being preached by the Rev. Mr. Irving.

July 1st, I preached and confirmed twelve persons in the morning in St John's, Mount Morris, being the second confirmation this year.

Sunday July 2d, I preached in the morning in St. Mark's church, Hunt's Hollow, and in the afternoon I confirmed in that church seventeen persons.

In the evening of the same day, I preached in the Presbyterian house in Nunda Valley.

On the 5th, in Angelica, I preached and confirmed four persons in St. Paul's church.

On the 6th I preached in the Presbyterian house in Phillipsville, and on the 7th in the Presbyterian house at Cuba, both places in Allegany county.

I spent Sunday the 9th, at Olean, Cattaraugus county, where I preached in the morning and evening, and confirmed nine in the afternoon.

In St. John's church, Ellicottville, on the 11th, I preached both morning and afternoon, confirming at the former service size persons.

On the 12th I preached in the Congregational house at Jamestown, Chautauque county.

I visited Mayville on the 13th, where in St. Paul's church in the morning, I preached, baptised one adult, confirmed one person, and administered the holy communion; and in the afternoon baptised the infant child of the Missionary and preached.

At Westfield, in St. Peter's church, I baptised the infant child of the Missionary and two other infants, confirmed four persons, preached and administered the holy communion; and in the afternoon I preached in the Methodist house in Quiecy, in the same county.

Sunday the 16th, I spent at Fredonia, where in Trinity church I preached and administered the holy communion in the morning, and preached again in the afternoon and confirmed two persons.

I preached on the 17th in the Methodist house in Forrestville and confirmed two persons.

In the afternoon of the same day I preached in the Presbyterian house at Silver Creek.

On the 18th I preached, confirmed nine persons and administered the holy communion in the Baptist house at La Grange, where, as well as at Silver Creek, a warm interest has been excited in favor of the Church.

In the Methodist house at Aurora, Erie county, on the 20th, I preached, confirmed two persons and administered the holy communion.

On the 21st, in St. Paul's church, Buffalo, I admitted Rufus M White to the holy order of Deacons; preached and administered the holy communion on the occasion.

In the evening of the same day, I preached in Trinity church and confirmed (a second confirmation this year) five persons.

On Saturday morning, I preached and confirmed (a second confirmation this year) seventeen persons, in St. Paul's church, Buffalo.

I spent Sunday the 23d, at Lewiston, and in St. Paul's church I preached and administered the communion in the morning, and in the afternoon I preached and confirmed fifteen persons.

On the 24th, I preached and confirmed three persons, in the Presbyterian house at Youngstown; and,

On the 25th, I preached in the Presbyterian house at Niagara Falls.

On Sunday the 30th, in St. Paul's church, Allen's Hill, I preached, baptised one adult and confirmed five persons; and in the afternoon I preached again, and also confirmed a sick person in private.

August 2d and 3d, I devoted to the concerns of Geneva College, in attending the meeting of the Board of Trustees and the Commencement. I beg to renew my expression of confidence in the great ability and faithfulness of this Institution, and to commend it warmly to the patronage and liberality of the Churchmen of the Diocese, especially in its contemplated effort to raise funds to endow a professorship to be called the Hobart Professorship; an effort which appeals not less strongly to our judgments as auxiliary to the College, than to our sympathies as furnishing a memorial of the able, devoted and eminent Father in the church whose name it is to bear.

On the 3d, I admitted, on recommendation of the Standing Committee, Mr. Levi W. Norton and Mr. William A. Matson, as candidates for holy orders.

On the 4th of August, I had the pleasure of consecrating the church edifice in Fulton, Oswego county, by the name of Zion church, in which I preached twice, administered the holy communion and baptised one child. The completion of this edifice after a long struggle through many difficulties, is highly creditable to the zeal and devotedness of the little flock and the Missionary who labors among them, and ought to secure for them the slight additional aid requisite to remove the remaining insumbrance on the lot.

On Sunday the 6th, I preached and administered the holy communion in St. Paul's church, Syracuse, in the morning, and preached and confirmed eight persons in the afternoon.

At a later hour in the afternoon of the same day, I preached in Apostolic church, Geddes.

On Sunday the 13th, I officiated in Geneva in the morning, and aided in the services in the afternoon.

I have this day admitted Mr. Timothy F. Wardwell and Orlando F. Starkey, as condidates for holy orders.

I closed my labors for the Conventional year, by administering the holy communion in St. Peter's, Auburn, this morning, the 16th of August.

The following is a summary of my labors since the last Convention:—

I have officiated in 54 organized Parishes, and in 17 places where the church is not organized; (in 11 Parishes I have officiated twice, and in a few oftener,) in all, in 71 places. I have baptised 15 infants and 5 adults, in all 20, Ordained 3 Deacons and 7 Priests; instituted 2 Clergymen; consecrated 3 new church edifices; admitted 9 new candidates for orders; received 5 clergymen into the Diocese; transferred 7 clergymen to other Dioceses; preached 139 times, (128 in the Diocese, and 11 elsewhere;) administered the holy communion 26 times; confirmed 538 persons in 47 congregations, (being a larger average for each Parish than in former years;) travelled in discharge of my various duties about 4,000 miles.

I renew the expression of my warmest thanks for the hospitable

and cordial reception I have met with in every part of the Diocese which I have visited.

Some changes, additional to those already recorded, have occurred. The Rev. Erastus Spalding has relinquished the Missionary station at Vienna, Ontario county, and been appointed Missionary at Hammondsport and Wayne, Steuben county.

The Rev. Asa Griswold has taken charge of St. Luke's church, Harpersville, as Missionary.

The Rev. Philemon E. Coe has resigned the station at Hammondsport, Steuben county, and accepted the charge of St. John's church, Medina, in connection with St. Luke's church, Royalton.

The Rev. P. I. Living has resigned Trinity church, Geneva, and become the Secretary of the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions in New York.

The Rev. John W. Clark has become Rector of Zion church, Palmyra.

The Rev. Edward D. Kennicott has taken charge of the new Missionary station at Camden, Oneida county, where he has labored with most encouraging success.

The Rev. James Jay Okill has been called to St. Peter's church, Bainbridge, Chenango county.

The Rev. Erastus B. Foote has resigned Calvary church, Homer, and is laboring at McLean, for the present.

The Rev. Bethel Judd, D. D., having resigned St. John's church, Ithaca, the Rev. William S. Walker has been duly instituted Rector of the same; Dr. Judd has accepted the charge of the church at Sacketts Harbor as Missionary.

The Rev. Henry Peck has resigned St. Paul's, Paris Hill.

The Rev. Lucius Smith has been compelled by ill-health to resign Trinity church, Fredonia, and will probably never be able to resume his ministry; he carries with him in his retirement the, warm sympathy of many clerical and lay friends.

The Rev. Richard Smith has removed to the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

Rev. William Alanson and the Rev. W. W. Bostwick have removed to the Diocese of Illinois; the Rev. William Page to that of New York; the Rev. Edmund Embury to the same; the Rev. G. B. Engle to Indiana, and the Rev. E. H. Cressey to Tennessee.

The Rev. James O. Stokes has ceased to be the Missionary at Harpersville.

The Rev. Mr. Fackler has resigned the Parish of Emanuel church, Norwich.

The Rev. Dr. Andrews has resigned the charge of Christ church at Binghamton, on account of ill-health, to the deep regret of this large and successful Parish, in which he had so ably labored.

In consequence of the pressure of the times upon the pecuniary resources of so many, some of the feebler Parishes have been constrained to unite together, in the formation of a station, or united Parish, in order to secure to themselves a portion of those services which they had once enjoyed in full.

Nine new candidates for orders; have been admitted since the last Convention. The whole number at present is 23. Their names are as follows, viz:

Mason Gallagher, ad	mitted	lJune,	1840.
Benjamin W. Whicher,	66	June,	1840.
Charles E. Van Anden,	66	June,	1840.
Edward Cooper,	66	June,	1841.
Daniel Pease, jr.,	66	June,	1841.
Henry Stanley,	66	Aug.,	1841.
Charles H. Platt,	"	Oct.,	1841.
Henry L. Low,	66	Oct.,	1841.
Clarence Walworth,	66	Aug.,	1842.
Walter Ayrault,	46	Aug.,	
John H. Allen,	*	Aug.,	1842.
Gardner M. Skinner,	••	Aug.,	
John N. Norton,	44	Aug.,	1842.
Charles E. Phelps,	66	Aug.,	
William H. P. Paddock,	<b>66</b> .	Nov.,	
Joash Rice Taylor,	44	Nov.,	1842.
Allen Sheer,	44		1843.
Benjamin B. Griswold,	68		1843.
Samuel K. Miller,	44	Мау,	
Levi W. Norton,	48	Aug.,	
William A. Matson,	66	Aug.,	
Timothy F. Wardwell,	64	Aug.,	
Orlando F. Starkey,	<b>46</b>	Aug.,	
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The whole number of clergy connected with this Diocese is

103, consisting of 1 Bishop, 95 Presbyters, and 7 Deacons. Of this number 5 are engaged in the instruction of youth, 8 are on the list of disabled Clergy, 3 are prevented by age or sickness from parochial labors, but sustain themselves. The rest are either in actual service or seeking to be so engaged.

It has pleased a gracious Providence to exempt the body of laborers in this Diocese, from the inroads of death, during the past year.

Three new church edifices are in progress of erection, viz: at Geneva, Moravia, and at Camden.

I have given my consent to the organization of new congregations at Camden, Oneida county; Oneida Depot, Madison county; Bridgeport, Madison county; and Montezuma, Cayuga county.

Aid has been extended to three beneficiaries, during the year, from the funds collected for education, or appropriated to that object by the Board.

In regard to the Missions of the Diocese, the report of the Missionary and Education Board will present to you the details.

There have been forty-seven Missionaries in the field in the course of the year. The present number is 40.

From the Report of the Treasurer of the Convention, and of the Treasurer of the Christmas Fund, it will be seen that the aggregate amount of collections and donations in the Diocese, which have passed through the hands of these officers of the Diocese, is \$4186.70.

The Convention will rejoice that the Christmas Fund offerings have not diminished, being this year \$1053.85, and larger, by a small sum, than in any former year.

The monthly collections in the churches, however, I am sorry to say, have diminished to some extent, being about \$900 less than last year, owing in part, to the fact, that the collections at this Convention are not included in this year's report of the Treasurer.

From this statement the Convention will see at once the imperative necessity of increased liberality in sustaining the Missions of the Diocese.

There is no doubt, but the year past has been one of severer pressure upon the Parishes, as to pecuniary means, than any since

<sup>\*</sup>In 1840-\$1607.00. 1841-\$973.15. 1842-\$1053.85.

my connection with the Diocese. It has greived me sorely to find so many of my brethren struggling with diminished and irregularly paid incomes resulting from the altered circumstances of liberal parishioners; the general stagnation of business, and the limited amount of the circulating medium.

It appears, also, from the statement of the Treasurer of the Diocese, that the contributions to objects foreign to the Diocese, have exceeded in proportion those to claims within its limits.

In regard to our system of church collections I would venture to suggest to the clergy and congregations a caution against allowing them to be interferred with by local applications. of travel from West to East lies through the principal and ablest Parishes of the Dioceses. It is a common form of appeal to the clergy to ask for the proceeds of one of the monthly collections in aid of local objects, such as the building of a church, rescuing it from debt, erecting a parsonage, &c. Every mouth brings on an applicant of this character, personally or by letter, from the wide scenes of spiritual privation in the west. Entering the Dioceseat Buffalo, and traversing the abler Parishes along the regular line of travel to Utica, such applications fix themselves upon the very vitals of our Diocesan Missionary resources. If the monthly collections are surrendered to them, our own Diocesan Missions must be suspended, and not only so, but also the contributions of the Diocese to the General Missions of the church, sacrificed to these local applications. The monthly collections should be held sacred to the great objects which the canon has designated, and if we mean to effect the greatest amount of good in the long run, nothing should be allowed to interfere with their regularity, or design.-Local applications should be considered extra, and should be placed before the people and met on that ground, as especial claims, according to their respective merits, upon Christian liberality. The Diocese and the Parishes should be open to them in this view alone, and in no sense should they be allowed to interfere with the systematic plans of the Diocese, for raising funds for permanent objects. Otherwise, we shall sacrifice the greater to the less. In all quarters the call is for regular systematic supplies to our various church institutions. Our plan of monthly contributions is designed to meet this call; but if it be invaded by every special application for local objects which passes through the Diocese the plan will be soon and totally subverted. In some of the Parishes

also the parochial objects are allowed to be mixed up with and interfere with canonical duty in this matter. The money raised through the medium of the monthly collections should be held sacred to the objects for which the collections are made, and parochial collections should be made at other times so as not to interfere with these appropriations. The Convention will easily see how readily all the church objects can be met. One hundred persons i. e. is about one person in each parish giving five dollars per month, would secure twice the whole amount raised through this means, during the last year, and surely the Parishes could be made to average such a contribution, which does not exceed what has been the individual monthly appropriation to our Diocesan Missions of some persons of comparatively limited means, from the commencement of this plan of collections.

It will greatly relieve the Treasurer, and best promote the great objects in view, if the funds transmitted are sent to the General Fund of the Diocese, subject to such appropriation by the Board, as the exigencies of the several objects may demand.

By this means the Board will be better able to fix the extent of its Missionary arrangements, and to provide for the various objects connected with a supply of Prayer Books, Tracts, &c. to the Diocese, the need of which is strongly felt, I may say, in all the Parishes. Some of the Parishes act already on this suggestion, and it is to be hoped that others will pursue the same course.

From the Report of N. B. Kidder, Esq., the Trustee of the Permanent Missionary Fund of the Diocese, it appears that since the last report, seven hundred and thirty-eight dollars and seven-ty-five cents of interest have been received and paid over to the Diocesan Treasurer for the Missions of the Diocese, and that the principal of the said fund continues to be invested as heretofore reported.

It will be recollected by the Convention, that at the meeting in 1841, in Utica, the subject of providing a residence for the Diocesan unsolicited on his part, was brought before the Convention.

The movement was against my own privately expressed judgment as to the feasibility of the plan by any action of the Convention, in consequence of my conviction that local prejudices and discordant views of the bearing of the measure, would be an obstacle to its success. From similar views I had objected to such a movement in the Convention at Buffalo.

The result arrived at in 1841, was to substitute for present astion, the assumption of the rent of a house for the Diocesan, and the appointment of a Committee to report to the next Convention. In 1842 the action was to postpone the consideration of the subject to the present Convention, and to direct the Committee to pro vide for the arrears and current payments of the rent of the house for the Diocesan. The mode adopted (apparently the only one open to the Committee,) for raising the proposed sum was calculated to bring the object into injurious collision, as I thought, with our monthly collections for Missions and other church objects, and very soon after the rising of the Convention I requested the Committee to take no further proceedings in the matter. They had however addressed a circular to the Parishes. But at my request the subject has been no further pressed. The amount raised during the year (\$194.87) I have requested the Treasurer to transfer to the Missionary Fund of the Diocese, as there was a deficiency in that fund to meet the demands of the Missionaries for the July payments. The balance to be raised, about \$350, I remit to the Convention. And believing that when any steps are taken in regard to this object, they had better be taken by private individuals independently on the Convention, before whom, from diversity of views and local feelings the subject will be likely always to prove a disturbing one, I request that the whole matter, so far as Conventional action is concerned, may be dropped. That private mumificence may, and in due time will, adopt some effectual measures in this matter, I am fully persuaded.

If a subscription by one hundred individuals of \$100 each, payable in four years, in annual instalments of \$25, or some similar plan, would secure the amount to be raised, I think in due time it will be done. An experience of four years has satisfied me that while the three items of house rent, travelling expenses, and postages, exhaust so large a portions as one thousand dollars of the proceeds of the Episcopal Fund, and the Diocesan is subjected to other unavoidable claims and expenditures arising from his official position, the existing provision for his support will be inadequate without resort to private means.

It affords me heart-felt pleasure to state, that throughout the Diocese in the Parishes generally, I find increasing evidences of spiritual prosperity. The blessing of God our Saviour is on his church. The clergy, for the most part, are diligently and quietly engaged

in doing the work of the great Master, in the spirit of peace and mutual harmony, unmoved by the storm of obloquy and misrepresentation, or the under-currents of insinuations and detraction, which assail them from without, or by the ephemeral excitements within the church; steadily adhering to the old paths of evangelic truth and apostolic order, and faithfully striving by word and good example, in the twofold work of elevating the tone of Christian piety in their respective flocks, and of turning the disobedient to the wisdom of the just.

In the continued soundness and devotedness of the clergy of the Diocese generally—their steady adherence and faithful inculcation of the great doctrines of the cross, as embodied in the liturgy, articles and homilies, I fully confide. Subjected as we all are to sweeping charges of error, secret aspersions, and virulent assaults, under a title of injurious fame, yet, in my wide intercourse with the clergy of the Diocese, I know of no one among them, who does not, in maintaining the cause of Christ and His church, distinctly repudiate the errors of the Roman Catholic church with as full and unqualified a rejection of its usurped supremacy, and its errors of doctrine and practice, as does the church herself, her long list of protestant martyrs, and the humble individual who speaks as the chief shepherd over you in the Lord: and when attempts are made from without, and fears excited within, calculated to fix upon the clergy an opprobious name, carrying in the intent with which it is used, a far different meaning, it is a demand which they have on their Bishop, knowing as he does, their prevailing views, and faithful adherence to the doctrinal standard of the church, in her creed and articles, to claim for them, as a body, the continued confidence and affectionate regard of the laity, as faithful ministers of the cross and church of Christ. The obvious and deplorable ignorance of many who assail the church in regard to some of the most important points of christian truth and order, and their frequent and indiscriminate mixture of sound Gospel truth and church doctrine with Romish error and even infidel sentiment, as the object of attack, should convince the laity of the utter incapacity of many of her assailants to form a right judgment of her position and prospects, should inspire them with a firmer confidence in the long-tried guides by whom they have hitherto been led in the ways of truth and peace; and let me add, should stir them up to " read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" the great truths of God's

blessed word, as openly and broadly presented to their eyes and minds in the liturgy, creed, articles and homilies of the Protestant Episcopal church.

Could the voice of him whose memorial is beside us in the marble coldness of the monument,\* and whose devoted spirit from this vicinity winged its flight to the blissful presence of its Lord, now be heard amongst us, it would speak in tones of overwhelming energy in behalf of that firm, decided, and unflinching adherence to Gospel truth, Gospel order and Gospel holiness, which signalises the clergy of the Diocese, which he advocated whilst on earth, and which they advocate now, as the true means of stability, peace, unity and soundness to the church here, and as the certain pathway to its promised glory hereafter.

With her Prayer Book unaltered, her articles untouched, her Clergy faithful, and her Laity well taught, the church is safe against the encroachments of error from any and every quarter; and, under the promise of her Divine Lord, will be found to be as firm as the everlasting rocks.

"Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea; though the waters thereof rage and swell, and though the mountains shake with the tempest of the same. The rivers of the flood thereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacle of the Most Highest. God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed. God shall bless her, and that right early."

I was unable to attend the annual meetings of the Board of Missions, and of the General Theological Seminary. I regret that it was so. My confidence in the soundness and fidelity of the Seminary is unshaken. Its professors have been known to me for years; some of them for twenty years. I have no hesitation in expressing my fullest conviction that they are as far, in their views; and in their public instructions, from Romanism, and other errors, as any Theological Institution in the church; and that the Seminary may challenge the closest scrutiny into its condition. The contributions of this Diocese to it have hitherto been small. I would respectfully suggest that a committee be appointed to enquire, and report at the next Convention, whether any, and what steps or

<sup>\*</sup> Bishop Hobert died at the Parsonage in Auburn, and a handsome Monument, with an admirable bust, adorns the wall of the Church near the chancel.

suggestions may be necessary to secure for the General Theological Seminary, a wider confidence and patronage in the Diocese; and thus will all suspicions, if any such exist, be removed in regard to this important institution of the church.

A special meeting of the Board of Missions was held on the subject of its embarrassments, in the winter; collections were made in its behalf in this Diocese on a pastoral letter of the Bishop stating its exigencies, in January, in anticipation of the Quinquagesima collections, recommended by the Board. Forty-five churches have contributed to its funds during the year.

It will doubtless be gratifying to the Convention to perceive from the proceedings of the Board at Boston, and the recommendations of the Executive Committee, the growing influence of some of the practical views heretofore urged in vain upon the Board.

A committee of the Board, (the Chairman only dissenting,) reported in favor of reducing the salaries of the Secretaries twenty-five per cent.\*

The Foreign Committee have also recommended "to the Board a deliberative enquiry into the expediency of discontinuing the mission to Crete, gradually reducing the expenses of the mission at Athens, with a view to its ultimate relinquishment or transfer; and the concentration of effort in the East, should effort be deemed advisable by the Board in the Syrian church of Mesopotamia."†

"It is the result of much reflection on the part of the Committee," (they go on to say,) "that the occupation of many different points abroad is by no means desirable. Concentration of effort at a few points, mostly on Heathen ground, selected in view of Providential openings, under circumstances of reasonable promise, and the prosecutions of Missionary effort at those points, on an enlarged scale, sending forth the church in her integrity, with all the moral influence of her ecclesiastical organization, building on the foundation of apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ being the chief corner stone, are general principles, which in the opinion of the Committee, should regulate the conduct of our Foreign Missions."

So early an arrival at these sound views was scarcely to have been anticipated, and not only must afford satisfaction to the Con

<sup>\*</sup> The Board did not sanction the proposed step, but the very fact of its recommendation by the Committee, some of whom were members of the Executive Committees in New York, is a tribute and an attention to the propriety of the views which many members have heretofore urged upon the subject.

<sup>†</sup> Spirit of Missions p. 285.

<sup>‡</sup>Spirit of Missions p. 285.

vention, but furnish an augury of the prevalence of sounder and wiser views, in the conduct of the General Missions of the church. Very considerable improvements have also been made by the Domestic Committee in the domestic department of its Missionary labors. All this is calculated if persevered in and carried out, to arrest in some degree the waning confidence of the many who had desponded as to immediate improvement and to open the hope of effective amendments of the constitution at the next General Convention. A Committee on this subject is respectfully suggested to the Convention to report to the next Convention.

Among events exterior to the Diocese, and of general interest, I have to record the death of the venerable Prelate who was the Presiding Bishop of the Church, in whose wisdom, piety, and holy simplicity of character, the Dioceses of which he had charge, and the church generally, had long rejoiced. Since we last met the Rt. Rev. Drs. Johns, of Virginia, Eastburn, of Massachusetts, and Henshaw, of Rhode Island, have been added to the House of Bishops.

I have thus in conformity to the caron, presented to you a general statement of the condition of the Diocese, and of my proceedings during the past year, with such other views as our circumstances seem to require. For the peace, harmony, and union, the general freedom from undue excitements, and the steady onward progress of the Diocese, in the great work entrusted to us, by our Divine Master, let us cherish devout thankfulness, with humble and augmented faith in His promised presence and blessing to His church.

In fulfilling the duties on which we are now assembled, let us be found, my brethren of the Clergy, and of the Laity, actuated by the spirit of Christ our Master, with hearts set on the advancement of His kingdom on earth, and in humble reliance upon the grace and guidance of that Holy Spirit, without whom nothing is strong and nothing holy. And may God in his infinite mercy, vouchsafe his blessing on our consultations and proceedings, that they may thus be made to centre on His glory, the good of His church and our own spiritual and eternal welfare.

W. H. DE LANCEY.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Proal,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the General Theological Seminary, be referred to a Committee to consist of three Clergymen and three Laymen.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Messrs. Croswell, Whipple and Gregory; and Messrs. Swift, Webster and Pierrepont, to constistate that Committee.

Mr. Throop, with reference to that portion of the Bishop's Address, relating to the Board of Domestic and Foreign Missions, presented a recital and resolutions: which, on motion of Mr. H. E. Rochester, were directed to be printed and made the order of the day for twelve o'clock, to-morrow.

The house then proceeded to the election of a Treasurer of the Convention; and a Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen. A vote by ballot, having, in both cases, been dispensed with,

CHARLES STYMOUR, Esq.,

was unanimously elected Treasurer of the Convention, and Major James Ress,

unanimously elected Treesurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen.

Ordered, That when the house adjourn, it adjourn to meet at 8 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

The house thereupon adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 17, 8 o'CLOCK.

The Convention met. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Thomas Towell, assisted by the Rev. George D. Gillespie, who read the lessons: after which the Bishop took the chair.

The minutes of yesterday's meeting were read and approved.

On calling the names of absent members, the following clergymen, not present yesterday, answered to their names and took their seats as members, viz.: Lucius Carter, E. B. Foote, Samuel Goodale, Erastus Spalding, Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., Hobart Williams. Also the following gentlemen appeared as Lay Deputies, and took their seats, viz.: from

On motion of Rev. Mr. Hawks, the 20th Rule of Order was suspended, to receive the report of the Committee on the admission of churches into union with this Convention.

A further resolution was then offered by the chairman of that committee, that the portion of the 8th Rule of Order applying to the subject, be suspended, to enable the committee on the amendment of Section 2 of Canon IV, "Of the admission of churches into union with this Convention," &c., named on page 62 of the Convention of 1842, to make their report.

Mr. Benedict from that Committee, then presented the following REPORT:

The Committee to whom was referred the resolution adopted at the last Annual Convention, proposing an alteration of the 4th Canon, by striking out the 2d subdivision of said Canon, beg leave respectfully to report, that they have had the same under consideration; and although they feel that the said Section may, in many instances, be a salutary measure for the purpose of preserving the evidence of the proceedings of the meeting organizing a church, yet as it is not sheolutely necessary for the due organization of said church, or required by law, and in almost every instance where a church applies for admission, such evidence is wanting, and if said Section was retained the effect would be to bar said church from being admissed. Your Committee are of opinion that it is expedient and proper that said 2d Section be stricken out; and therefore propose to the Convention the following resolution.

Resolved, That Canon 4 be amended by striking out the 2d subdivision of the same.

All which is respectfully submitted.

I. BENEDICT, Chairman. HENRY J. WHITEHOUSE, CICERO S. HAWKS.

Resolved, That-the resolution contained in the above report be adopted.

The Committee on the admission of churches into union with the Convention, presented the following

### REPORT:

The Committee on the admission of churches into union with the Convention, respectfully report that they have had before them four applications, viz.:

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The MONTHLY COLLECTIONS are to be forwarded by the Wardens to

CHARLES SEYMOUR, Esq., Treasurer,
CANANDAIGUA, N. 1

The Christmas Offenings for the relief of disabled Clergymen, are to be forwarded to

James Rees, Esq., Treasurer,

GENEVA, N. Y.

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These have all complied with the provisions of Canon IV, as now amended, and are therefore entitled to admission. The Committee, therefore, submit the following resolution:

Resolved, That Zion Church, Windsor, Broome county; St. John's Church, Oneida Depot, Madison county; Trinity Church, Camden, Oneida county; and St. Paul's Church, Montezuma, Cayuga county, be admitted into union with this Convention.

C. S. HAWKS, J. BENEDICT, V. MATTHEWS.

The question having been put separately on the admission of these churches into union, they were admitted, viz.:

Zion church, Windsor, Broome county, St. Paul's church, Montezuma, Cayuga county, St. John's church, Oneida Depot, Madison county, Trinity church, Camden, Oneida county.

These churches having been called in order, for the certificates of Lay Deputies, the following gentlemen appeared and took their seats, viz.: from

COUNTIES. CHURCHES. DEPUTIES.

Cayuga.....St. Paul's, Montezuma,....Dr. P. Clark.

Madison....St. John's, Oneida Depot,..Frederick A. Stewart.

Oneida.....Trinity, Camden,......Artemas Trowbridge, jr.

The time for that purpose having arrived, the house then proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and Deputies to the General Convention; by one ballot as directed by Section 2 of Canon XII., the Rev. Mr. McHugh being named by the President of the Convention as teller to receive the votes of the clergy, and Mr. George H. Boughton to receive the votes of the Laity.

On counting the votes it appeared that the following named persons had received a majority of all the votes given, and were therefore declared duly elected.

### STANDING COMMITTEE:

Rev. J. C. Rudd, D. D.,

"Benjamin Hale, D. D.,

"William Shelton, D. D.,

"William Croswell.

Messrs. Wm. C. Pierrepont,
Robert C. Nicholas,
Prof. H. Webster,
Major J. Rees.

#### DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION:

Rev. P. A. Proal, D. D.,

"Henry Gregory,

"John V. Van Ingen,

"James A. Bolles.

Messrs. Jonas Earli, jr.,

C. H. Carroll,

G. B. Webster,

D. Hudson.

The Standing Committee on the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention presented the same, audited as follows:

# REPORT:

The Convention of the Diocese of Western New York, in account with Charles Seymour, Treasurer.

## Dr.

1843.	Jan. 10.—To Cash paid A. B. Johnson, President of Trustees of	
20 20.	the Episcopate Fund, per order, dated 9th inst., -	<b>837</b> 67
44	July 19.— " Cash paid A. B. Johnson, President of Trustees of	01.60
48	the Episcopate Fund, per draft, Mar. 30.— " Cash paid J. P. Bush, for printing the Journal, -	21 63 343 70
44	May 26.— " Cash paid for printing Bishop's charge,	83 50
u	" 31.— " " the same, Aug. 1.— " " Missionary drafts since Aug. 17, 1842,	85 UU
4	Aug. 1.— " " Missionary drafts since Aug. 17, 1842,	3,906 98
1842.	" 17.— " Amount ever drawn of the Education Fund, -	117 18
1843.	" 1 " Cash paid from Education Fund on 7 drafts since August 17, 1842,	225 00
1842.	Nov. 19 " An appropriation from Education and Missionary Dis-	
	posable Fund to Education Fund by Standing Com-	
44	mittee,	64 20
-	Aug. 18.— "Cash paid W. Wade, Treasurer, St. Matthew's Church, Moravia, per receipt, (charge General Fund.)	1 50
••	" 24.— " An appropriation from General Fund to New York	
	Bible and Prayer Book Society, by Standing Com-	
66	mittee,	50 <del>00</del>
••	" — " An appropriation from General Fund to Protestant	50 00
46	Episcopal Tract Society, by Standing Committee, Sept. 7.— "Cash paid George L. Whitney, bill printing,	4 00
44	Nov. 19.— " An appropriation from General Fund to Education	
	Fund, by Standing Committee	<b>300 00</b>
и	" - " An appropriation from General Fund to expenses of	250 00
64	Convention, by Standing Committee,	330 00
	Missions, by Standing Committee,	1,000 00
1843.	Mar. 28.— "An appropriation from General Fund to Diocesan	
u	Missions, by Standing Committee,	200 00
_	" " An appropriation from General Fund to expenses of Convention, by Standing Committee,	200 00
64	July 31.— " A one dollar Suspension Bridge Note, credited Gen-	
	eral Fund, Nov. 8, 1841, (bank failed.)	1 00
44	Aug. 1.— " Postages since August 17, 1842, charged to General	00.12
1842.	Fund, - Sept. 15.— " Paid to the Bishop by Rev. J. V. Van Ingen, charged	22 13
1010.	to fund to Bishop's rent,	5 00
4	" 19.— " Paid on the order of Bishop De Lancey, and charged	
1040	to same Fund,	28 00
1543.	July 29.— " Paid on the order of Bishop De Lancey, and charged to same, the same transferred to credit Diocesan	
	Missions, by the Bishop's request,	194 89
1842.	Nov. 14.— "Remitted to Rev. A. C. Treadway, charged "Miscel-	
44	laneous," -	9 68
44 44	Dec. 13.— " Remitted to do do do do "21.— " " do do do do	8 00 15 00
1843.	Feb. 23.— " " Rev. N. Watkins, do do	16 75
44	Mar. 8.— " Paid W. Wade, Treasurer, St. Matthew's church, Mo-	
44	ravia, charged do.,	5 00
••	Apr. 13.— " Paid do do do do do	60 50
	Amount carried over,	7,406.31

	Amount brought forward,	<b>\$</b> 7,406.31
₹1	" 24.— " Paid on account, contributions to Christ church, Jordan, do,	3 64
4	Jane 16.— " Paid W. Wade, Treasurer, St. Matthew's church,	21 75
1849.	Oct. 25.— " Paid Rev. Edward C. Hodgkin, charged Domestic	21 75
44	Missions,	12 45
44	Nov. 14.— "Paid Rev. D. E. Brown, do do	<b>2</b> 7 67 9 84
44 _	Dec. 13.— " " D. E. Brown, do do	13 50
1843.	Jan. 18 " " E. C. Hodgkin, do do	22 50
1842.	Aug. 26.— " " Thomas N. Stanford, Treasurer, do \$26 85	
1843.	Feb. 4.— " " do do 480 32 do 168 56	CR4 PO
1811.	Aug. 26.— " J. Smith Rogers, Treasurer, charged Foreign	675 73
1843.	Missions,	42 63
4	May 31.— " F. S. Winston, Trea'r, charged Foreign Missions	10 19 31 89
1842.		36 00
1843.	Feb. 4.— " " do do do	9 12
1842.	Aug. 96.— " T. C. Butler, Ag't, charged B. and P. Book Soc.,	90 25
1843.	Feb. 4.— " " do do do	12 03
4	May 31.— " do do do do	9 36
1843.	Aug. 26. — " " do do Tracts,	67 00
18 <b>43.</b>	res. r us us	7 53
184 <b>3.</b> 184 <b>3.</b>	Aug. 26.— " " D. Dana, jr., Ag't, do S. S. Union, May 31.— " " do do do do	12 17 5 38
4	Aug. 1.— "Balance to credit new account,	1,390 41
	•	99,917 40
	<b>C</b>	00,021 20
	Cr.	•
1843.	Aug. 17.—By Balance of Episcopate Fund,	32 42
1843.	" 1.— " Amount received for do., since August 17, 1842, -	<b>28 8</b> 8
18 <b>43</b> .	" 17.— " Balance of fund for expenses of Convention,	149 68
	Nov. 19.— "An appropriation to this fund from the General Fund, by Standing Committee,	350 00
1843.	Mar. 28.— " do do do	200 00
44	Aug. 1 " Amount received from do., since Aug. 17, 1842,	21 85
1848.	" 17.— " Balance of fund for Diocean Missions,	529 8 <b>7</b>
44	Nov. 19.— "An appropriation to this fund from the General Fund, by Standing Committee.	1,000 00
1843.	by Standing Committee, Mar. 28.— " do do do	200 00
40	Aug. 1.— " Amount received for do, (Diocesan Missions,) since	
	_ August 17, 1842, viz:	-
	From Churches within this Diocese,	672 74
	" William C. Pierrepont, esq, in part of his donation,	187 50
	tion,	273 02
	" P. E. Education and Missionary Society, New	
	York, (3 quarters allowance to April 1, 1843,)	750 00
10/0	Were 19 4 An empression from the Discount Education and	738 75
1055.	Nov. 19.— "An appropriation from the Diocesan Education and Missionary Disposable Fund to Diocesan Educa-	
	tion Fund, by Standing Committee,	64 20
64	" — " An appropriation from the General Fund to Educa-	
1040	tion Fund, by Standing Committee,	300 00
1843.	Aug. 1.— "Amount received for Diocesan Education, since August 17, 1842,	<b>25</b> 68
1842.	" 17.— " Balance Diocesan Education and Missionary Disposa-	_
1049	ble Fund,  " I.— " Amount received for this fund, since Aug. 17, 1842,	61 20 35 00
1843. 1842.	" 17.— " Balance of General Fund,	2,063 97
1843.	" 1.— " Amount received for this fund, since Aug. 17, 1842,	641 54
1842	" 17.— " Balance of fund for payment of the rent of the Bish-	
	ep's residence,	28 83
	Amount carried over,	<b>\$</b> 8,355.13

		Amount brought forward,	<b>88.355.</b>	13
1843.	44	1 " Amount received for this fund, since Aug. 17, 1842,	190	
1842.	44	17.— " Balance to credit Bible and Prayer Book Society of		
		Central New York,	12	50
1843.	66	1 " Amount received for this Society, since August 17,	-	
		1842.	10	00
44	64	"- " Amount received since Aug. 17, 1842, for account Mis-		
•		cellaneous objects, viz: from Churches, \$165 77,	,	•
		from a member of Grace church, Lockport, \$1 00,	166	77
1842.	K	17 " Balance standing to credit Domestic Missions, -	56	<b>08</b>
1843.	44	1.—Amount received for do., since Aug. 17, 1842, from		
		churches, \$727 18, from Miss C. A. Wilson, \$2 00,	729	18
1842.	46	17 " Balance standing to credit of Foreign Missions, -	42	63
1843.	44	1.— " Amount received for do., since Aug. 17, 1848, from		
		churches, \$62 08, from Mr. Chauncey Morgan, \$1,	63	<b>08</b>
1842.	44	17 " Balance to credit General Theological Seminary, -	36	
18 <b>43.</b>	44	1.— " Amount received for do., since Aug. 17, 1842, -		12
1842.		17.— " Balance to credit Bibles and Prayer Books,	40	25
46	44	24.— " An appropriation by Standing Committee to N. Y.		
		Bible and Prayer Book Society, from General Fund,	50	00
<b>1843</b> .	46	1.— " Amount received for Bibles and Prayer Books, since		
		Aug 17, 1842, - ,	29	
<b>1849.</b>		17.— " Balance for Tracts, -		00
44	44	24.— " An appropriation by Standing Committee to P. E.		
		Tract Society from General Fund,		00
1843.		1.— " Amount received from Tracts, since Aug. 17, 1842, -		44
1842.		17.— "Balance to credit P. E. S. S. Union,	_	17
1843.	66	1.— " Amount received for do., since Aug. 17, 1842, -	8	38
		•	9,917	40
1843.	And	g. 1.—By Balance from old account,	\$1,390	41
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<b>0</b>	•	Chas. Seymour, Tre	anurer.	
Car	mu	nigua, August 1, 1843.		

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The within balance of general account with the Convention is composed of the respective balances of the accounts below stated, viz:

Episcopate Fund, -		•		•		•		•		•	<b>\$</b> 2	00
Expenses of Convention,	•		-		-		-		•		209	33
Education,		-		•		•		-		-	47	
Diocesan Missions,	•		•		•		•		•		444	90
Education and Missionary	D	ispo	<b>sea</b> b	le,		-		•		-	32	-
General Fund, -	-	-	-	·	-		•		•		<b>526</b>	
Miscellaneous objects,		-		-		•		-		•	26	
Bible and Prayer Book So	cie	ty (	Cent	ral,	-		-		-		22	
Domestic Missions,		•		•		-		~		•	23	57
Foreign Missions, -	•		-		•		•		•		21	
Bibles and Prayer Books,		•		-		•		-		•	8	_
Tracts,	•		•		•		•		•		22	91
P. E. S. S. Union, -		•		•		•		•		-	3	00
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											<b>51,390</b>	41

CHAS. SEYMOUR, Treasurer.

The Standing Committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer, respectfully report:

That they have carefully performed the duty assigned to them and find said accounts to be entirely correct, and agreeing with the books and vouchers. Dated, Auburn, August 16, 1843.

WM. C. PIERREPONT.
G. H. MUMFORD.
JNO. E. HINMAN.

The Standing Committee on the accounts of the Treasurer of the Christmas Fund, made the following

## REPORT.

The Standing Committee on the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, to whom was referred the account of the Treasurer of said fund, do certify and report:

That they have examined such account, and compared it with the vouchers, furnished to the Treasurer, and find the same correct.

Three of the beneficiaries have neglected to remit the proper receipt.

The total amoun	it of c	ontri	butio	ns to	the f	and d	luring	the j	past y	ear,	from	sixty-f	OET
Parishes contributi	ng the	reto,	has	been	ı	-	•	•	-	-	•	\$1053	85
Amount of colle	ction	et th	B Cor	vent	ion ii	a Svr	acusa		-	-	-	- 51	25
Belance in Tree	restrat	's ha	nda, s	s per	repo	ort of	last y	ear,	•	•	•	275	33
701.4.1													40
Total amount,	•	-	•	-	-	-	•	•	-	•	•	<b>#1380</b>	43
. In accordance w	vith th	e or	ler of	the '	Trus	iees o	f the	fund,	the	Trea	surer	•	

. In accordance with the order of the Trustees of the fund, the Treasurer has paid

To two dia	abled	Clergymen,	12 months	allowance,	\$200 each	<b>\$</b> 400	00		
To four	14	76	44	44	\$150 each	<b>600</b>	00		
To one	*	84	44	44	64	100	00		
To one oth	er	"	4	44	44	75	00	<b>\$1175</b>	00
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Leaving a balance in Treasurer's hands of - - - - - \$205 43

The amount contributed to the fund the past year, exceeds that of the preceding year \$131 95, and the amount disbursed by the Treasurer, exceeds that of the preceding year \$175 00, being the amount paid to two disabled Clergymen, added to the list since the report of last year. The Convention will perceive the necessity of not allowing the contributions to this fund to be diminished, as the balance now on hand with the ordinary amount contributed, will barely meet the claims upon it.

H. E. ROCHESTER. DYRE TILLINGHAST. P. G. PECKHAM.

Rev. Mr. Van Ingen, from the Committee on unfinished business, reported, calling the attention of the Convention,

First, to the subject of the transfer of the funds of the Central Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, to the Treasurer of the Convention, for purposes specified.

Second, to the subject of the report on the Bishop's residence, page 62 of the Journal of 1842.

The house then, on motion of Rev. Dr. Rudd,

Resolved, That the transfer of the funds of the Central Bible and Prayer Book Society, be continued in charge of the Standing Committee, of the Diocese.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Van Ingen, the house took a recess for half an hour; at the expiration of which, the President resumed the chair.

The Rev. Dr. Shelton, from the Committee on the Bishop's

residence, made a verbal report, stating that, in consequence of the request of the Bishop, that no further steps be taken in the case by the Committee; and of the measures contemplated by private individuals in relation to the subject, the Committee requested to be discharged.

Whereupon, on motion, the Committee were discharged from further consideration of the subject.

The Standing Committee on the Report of the Trustees of the Episcopate Fund, presented the following

#### REPORT.

The Standing Committee of the Convention, "on the Report of the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate and the condition of the fund," would respectfully report, that there has been submitted to them the annual report of the Trustees for the last year, being their then annual report, dated August 14, 1843, and duly signed by a majority of the said Trustees, (A. B. Johnson, H. Denio, and John E. Hinman, Esquires.) There have also been submitted to your Committee the resignations of A. B Johnson and H. Denio, Esqrs., as Trustees of the Fund.

Your Committee have also had an interview with John E. Hinman, esq., one of the Trustees in relation to the condition and investment of the funds.

From the Report of the Trustees, it appears that

The receipts by the corporation, have been, as follows, on the \$35,500 permanent fund:

1843, Nov. 1.—Interest 6 months on the loan of \$29,500,	-	-	•	<b>\$1,032 50</b>
" " The like on a loan of \$6,000,	•	•	•	- 210 00
1843, May, 1.—Interest 6 months on the loan of \$29,500.	•	•	•	1.038 50
" 12.—The like to the first instant on the \$6,000,		•	•	- 210 00
•				

Total income of the said Fund, \$2,485 00

Paid to the Bishop, as follows:

1842,	Nov. 1.—B	y deposite	to his	credit	in B	enk o	f Nev	v Yo	rk, 1	1,032	<b>50</b>	
46	" 3.—B	y the like,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	210	00	
1843,	May, 1B	y the like,	•	•	•	-	•	-	•	1,033	50	
44	May, 1.—B	the like,	•	•	•	-	•	•	A .	210	00	\$2,485 00

In addition to the above account, which is balanced, the corporation hold for accumulation, as follows:

1942	Aug. 13.—Amount on hand by the last annual report,	•	-		- 6384	54	
1848	Jan'y, 9.—Received from the Treasurer of the Diocese,		•	•	37	67	
66	" 18 —Interest received from the Utica Savings Bank,		•	-	6	27	
44	July, 1.—Interest to this day on bond and mortgage,				- 10	32	
•	W 19 December Com Management of the Triangle		•	•		63	
44	Aug. 16 -Total amount of the firms held for a commulation				4960	<del></del>	

Aug- 16.—Total amount of the fund held for accumulation, - \$360 43

The said fund for accumulation is now invested as follows:

On Mortgage of 67 acres and 50 rods of land, in Remsen, Oneida county, collaterally secured by a bond of the borrower, payable January 1, 1848, with interest payable on the first of every July and January,

Cash uninvested, in the hands of the Trustees.

Total of the Fund, - . 9360 43

The original fund of \$35,500, the income of which is paid semi-annually to the Bish-op, remains invested as formerly; except \$5,000 which, agreeably to the requirements

of the last Diocesan Convention, was called in from the New York loan, and simultaneously loaned on very ample real estate, so as to prevent any loss of interest. The new loan was made for a period of five years, from November first, next, with interest payable every first of November and May, being the days on which all the interest is payable of the \$35,500 to the Bishop. The said new loan is secured by a mortgage on a little more than 140 acres of land in the city of Utica, (running however into the town of New Hartford,) and on a plot of three house lots in the said city, and well situated as respects permanent value. A house on the farm is insured for a thousand dellars, and the policy is assigned to the Trustees. A personal bond to the amount of the loan accompanies the mortgage. With the foregoing change, the said \$35,500 is now invested as follows:

On the original New York bon	d and	mort	gage,	•	•	•	-		<b>9</b> 24,500 <b>0</b> 0
	•								6,000 00
Utica new loan as above, -	-	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	5,000 0 <del>0</del>
	Tota	al of t	he Fu	nđ,	•	•	•	-	35,500 00

In relation to the New York loan, reduced as above, the Trustees hold a collateral security as stated in former reports, of 700 acres of land in Ontario county, and on a house lot in 9th street, of the city of New York; valued together at \$9,500 00

Also, an additional collateral security which is referred to in the last annual report, but not then consumated. It consists of 174 acres of land, in the tewn of Monroe, Orange county, and of some incorporated Bank and Insurance Company Stocks of this state, and which, with the said land, are deemed worth

5,000 00

Total value of collateral securities, - - - \$14,500 00

From the Report of the Trustees, and the statements of Col. J. E. Hinman, the Committee are of opinion that the fund is safely invested.

They recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the resignations of A. B. Johnson and Hiram Denio, esquires, as Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, be accepted, and that the thanks of the Convention be given them for their services as Trustees of the fund.

Resolved, That William B. Welles and James Watson Williams, of Utica, be and they are hereby appointed by the Convention, Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate.

Resolved, That the said Report of the Trustees of August 14, 1843, be filed with the Secretary for safe keeping.

Resolved, That for the future instruction of the Trustees of the said fund, a written copy of canon 13 "of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate," be transmitted, duly attested by the Secretary of the Convention, to the said Trustees.

Resolved, That the Trustees, in presenting to the next Convention, their annual Report, present also with it the book of minutes of their proceedings, with the vouchers for all payments.

Hesolved, That the Trustees be desired to present in their next annual Report, a full and detailed statement of all the securities held for the investment of the said fund.

Resolved, That any one or more Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate be invited annually, to attend the Convention, and be allowed to speak therein on subjects relating to the fund, as honorary members of the Convention.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Convention furnish to the Trustees, a written and certified copy of these resolutions.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. DE LANCEY, G. B. WEBSTER, GEO. B. THROOP, R. B. MILLER,

AUBURN, August 17, 1843.

The question on each of the above resolutions having been put separately, and a vote by ballot on the second having been dispensed with; all the resolutions contained in the above report were unanimously adopted.

Mr. Hinman presented a communication from Gary V. Sackett, resigning his office as Trustee of the Episcopate Fund, which on motion was accepted.

On motion, a vote by ballot having been dispensed with, the Rt. Rev. W. H. De Lancey, D. D., was unanimously elected to supply the vacancy.

The Bishop, in behalf of the Standing Committee, as the Education and Missionary Board of the Diocese, presented the following

#### REPORT:

The Education and Missionary Board present herein their Annual statement to the Convention:

Proceeding with the system of reduction rendered necessary by the diminution of the funds at the command of the Board, several Parishes were struck from the list of the Board, and some others reduced to half stipend stations. The continuation of the system, the Board regret to say, is unavoidable. They will endeavor to exercise the best judgment that can be brought to bear upon the painful task, and deeply deplore the necessity in these most trying times, of diminishing the slender incomes of these laborers in the vineyard. They earnestly hope that a renewed effort will be made by the Parishes to supply the deficiency, and exhort them to remember how long (in many cases for five, ten, or even fifteen years) they have enjoyed the liberality of the Church in this respect, that it may be an incentive to increased zeal and liberality.

The whole number of Missionaries who have labored for a greater or less period of time during the year, is 47. Considerable variations have occurred: the present number is forty.

The Missionary year extends from October to October, and the actual expense of the Missions of the Diocese, including liabilities to the 1st of October next, is \$4,100.

It is not for the Board to portray the value of the services of the Missionaries, or to enticipate the statistics of their report to the Convention, to which they refer for the information in regard to the results of the Missions of the Discose.

New Missionary stations have been established at La Grange and Silver Creek, Chantauque county, and Camden, Oneida county, where the labors of the Missionaries have been peculiarly successful. The services of the Church have been introduced in sundry new places, and efforts made to establish in each the nucleus of a future congregation. This is the case at

Camden, Oneida County,
La Grange, Chautauque County,
Silver Creek, " "
Quincy, "

The condition of the current Missionary Funds of the Diocese, demands increased liberality. The whole sum raised in the Diocese, exclusive of Parochial objects,

from all sources and for all purposes, general and Diocesan, which has passed through the hands of the officers of the Diocese, is about \$4,180. This includes \$1,050 collected for the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, and what money has been paid in to the Treasurer since the first of August, instant, and not included in his report. In addition to this, some five hundred dollars have been raised in the Diocese, and reached its objects without passing through Diocesan Treasuries.

A list of churches and collections is, as usual, appended to this report.

The balance in the hands of the Treasurer is \$1,390.41, of which sum \$444.90 is appropriated to our Diocesan Missions, \$300 of it now due to Missionaries, \$527 to General Fund, and the balance to specially designated objects. The last quarter of the amount from the Diocese of New York, due the 1st of July, has not yet been paid, but wills probably be forwarded in time for the October payments of the Missionaries.

Three persons have been aided from the Education Fund during the year, and there is another applicant before the Committee. The Board can only repeat their earnest desire and prayer that punctual and liberal collections in our churches may characterize the opening year's exertions of the Diocese in this holy cause.

The permanent Missionary Fund, as reported by the Trustee, N. B. Kidder, Esq. to the Board, continues to be invested as heretofore reported. It yields an interest of \$660.50. Since the last report, \$738.75 of interest (including some arrearages) have been received by the Trustee and paid over to the Treasurer of the Diocese for Diocesan Missionary purposes.

In consequence of the limited resources of the Board for Missions, but a very small sum has been appropriated to the Institutions in New York for Prayer Books and Tracts, with which the Diocese has been liberally supplied in anticipation of funds.

In pursuance of the terms of the donation from the Central Bible and Prayer Book Society, a Depository has been established at Utica. As yet, however, no funds have been received from that source, though it is understood a sum now awaits the proper action of the Committee in relation to it.

All which is respectfully submitted.

By order of the Board,

W. H. DE LANCEY, Chairman.

August 17th, 1843.

The hour appointed for that purpose having arrived, the house proceeded to the consideration of Mr. Throop's recital and resolutions relating to that part of the Bishop's address touching the Board of Domestic and Foreign Missions, as follows, viz.:

The Bishop, in his Address to the last Convention of this Diocese, having submitted, with his characteristic frankness, ability and Christian spirit, his views of the necessity of some change in the Board of Missions of the Church, both in its action and organization, urging, in regard to the former, increased efficiency, economy, and concentration; and in regard to the latter, the adoption of a simpler machinery, and of some plain principles calculated to infuse a more church-like character into the Constitution, and to remedy some of its most obvious defects, specifying, as some of the most obvious defects of its organization, the following:

That the Church at large is not equitably represented in the Board.

There is no provision in the Constitution which enables the Board to take the vetes by Orders or by Dioceses.

The Secretaries and members of the Executive Committee are, ex officio, members of the Board, with the right to speak and sots upon the approval of their own acts.

That there is no Constitutiona! provision by which the rights and feelings of the Bishops of those Dioceses, wherein the Missionaries of the Board labor, are secured against an extraneous influence and interference, on the part of the Secretaries of the Board, in their correspondence with the Missionaries:

The relation to the Board which the Bishops of the Church are compelled to hold, the Institution in this particular being modelled on the Congregational platform, of placing Layman, Descen; Priest and Bishop on the same arena of debate.

And, thereupon, the Convention passed, unanimously, a Resolution in the follow-ing form, viz:

"Resolved, unanimously, That the members of this Convention concur with the Bishop of the Diocese in the views expressed in his Address, in relation to the defective organization of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Church and that they respectfully recommend that part of the Address to the special attention of the Clergy and Laity, throughout the Diocese."

This Convention, concurring in the opinions and views thus expressed by the Bishop and members of the last Convention, and believing that they are the deliberate and well considered conclusions of the Clergy and Laity of this Diocese; and agreeing, in the language of the Bishop, "that while it is our duty, both as Christians and Churchmen, to submit to what the constituted authorities of the Church may determine; and to uphold her Institutions, the obligation is no less strong upon up to labor in every legitimate way, to remedy any defects in the agencies which she establishes to promote her benign objects, and thus to secure for her great and beneficent undertakings the warm affectious and expanded liberality of all her members;" It is by the members of this Convention,

Resolved, That the amendments of the Constitution of the Board of Missions, in the particulars specified, be presented to the next General Convention of the Church and be urged upon their consideration and action.

Resolved, That the recital and these resolutions, be entered upon the proceedings of this Convention; and that they, together with so much of the Bishop's Address to the last Convention, and of the Address at the present Convention, as relates to this subject, be referred to a Committee of three of the Clergy and three of the Laity, to report to the next Convention any farther action that may be deemed necessary, on the part of this Diocese, to give its whole weight and influence in favor of the preceding resolution, before the General Convention of the Church.

The question having been put upon these resolutions separately, they were adopted:

The Chair named Rev. Dr. Rudd, Rev. Messrs. Hawks and Wheeler, and Messrs. Throop, Matthews and Perry, to constitute that Committee.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Van Ingen, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, in the gracious goodness of Almighty God, the

branch of His Holy Church in this Diocese is continually extending; and whereas, this has resulted in almost every instance, through the Divine blessing, from the instrumentality of our Diocesan Missionary system; and whereas the source of supply to its funds, furnished by the Christian bounty of our brethren, once joined with us in the same Diocese, and by whom this good work was begun, agreeably to the terms upon which it was assured to us, on the erection of this Diocese, is annually diminishing in its supplies, and after October, 1844, will have entirely ceased:

Therefore, Resolved, That this Convention do commend the object of Missions within this Dioceae, to the christian bounty of their brethren within its bounds, as their first care in the Church's behalf, beyond their own parishes; involving as it does the vital element of our common prosperity, and addressing its claims to the holy sentiment of the grateful remembrance of benefits received.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Eigenbrodt,

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee, already appointed on the subject of the General Theological Seminary, to ascertain the number of Trustees of that institution to which this Diocese is entitled; and whether there be any vacancy in the same.

The hour for that purpose having arrived, the house took a re-

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, 3 o'clock.

The Convention re-assembled pursuant to rules of order. On motion of Rev. Mr. Eigenbrodt, Resolved.

"Whereas, the history of the advancement of the Church and of the legislation of her Dioceses, is a subject of great interest and value; and the preservation of the Journals of her Conventions is on that account of essential and high importance:

on in charge of Parishes and Clerks of Vestries within thy are) carnestly requested by this Convention, to locuments, the full series of the Journals of the Content of its first erection, and to take immediate and safe-keeping —and that the Secretary be into the same, to call the attention of the paspeg.

On motion of the same,

Reselved, That the blank form of the parochial report adopted on page 54 of the Journal of 1842, be amended by inserting after the words "Total number of services," the heading "The Holy Communion publicly administered times."

On motion,

Resolved, That the reading of the Parochial Reports be dispensed with, and that they be appended to the Journal of the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hawks,

Resolved, That hereafter the Parochial Report of monthly collections contain only the record of such sums collected before the first of August in each year as shall have been actually transmitted to the Treasurer at that date.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Van Ingen,

Resolved, That the blank form be further amended to conform to the preceding resolution.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Gregory, Resolved,

Whereas, some inconvenience has arisen from the common practice of giving a specific direction to the contributions transmitted to the Diocesan Treasurer, under canon XIV. And

Whereas, there is a Board provided by said canon for the distribution and appropriation of monies thus raised for church objects, within the Diocese, which Board has the advantage of knowing at once the amounts contributed, and the necessities of the different objects for which contributions are made: therefore,

Resolved, That it be recommended to the churches in this Diocese, that in all eedinary cases, the Wardens transmit the monthly collections to the Treasurer of the Convention, as for the General Fund, without designating any particular object for which they are intended, but leaving the designation to the Education and Missionary Board, excepting such amounts as may be specifically designated by individual contributors.

On motion of the same,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the congregation of St. Peter's church, Auburn, and other citizens of the village for the hospitality so generously extended to its members during the present session, and that the Rector of said church be requested to give publicity to this resolution in such way as he may deem expedient.

On motion of the Secretary,

Resolved, That fifteen hundred copies of the Journal be printed and distributed in the usual manner.

The minutes of the day were read and approved; and the house, on motion, resolved to adjourn after the usual exercises.—Whereupon, the Convention, after a short address from the Bishop, united in singing the 27th hymn, and in appropriate prayers from the Liturgy, and having received his blessing, adjourned size die.

Signed by order of the Convention,

WILLIAM HEATHCOTH DE LANCEY, D. D.,

Bishop of the Diocese of Western New York,

and President of the Convention.

"Attest."

PIERRE ALEXIS PROAL, D. D., Secretary.

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## APPENDIX.

No. 1.

## PAROCHIAL AND MISSIONARY REPORTS.

#### ALLEGANY COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Angelica; the Rev. Lewis Thibou, Jr., Rector.

Congregation: Families about 45, (adults 154, children 80;) total number of individuals 234; baptisms: infants 8; communicants: admitted 2, added 2, died 2; precent number, 74; marriages, 2; burials 2; public services: on Sundays 95, on other days 20: total, 115.

St. Mark's Church, Hunt's Hollow; the Rev. HENRY S. ATTWATER, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 50, (adults 144, children 114;) total number of individua's 258; baptisms: adult I, infants 9; total 10; confirmed 17; communicants (admitted) 10; received 2;) total added 12; died 1; removed 5: present number 88: marriages 2; burials 6; public services: on Sundays 125, on other days 67: total number of services 192; shildren catechised: number of children 24, number of times 15; Sunday schools: number of schools 1, teachers, (male 3, female 6:) total 9: pupils, (male 15, female 25:) total 40.

6;) total 9: pupils, (male 15, female 25;) total 40.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, vis.

	Diocesan Missione,	<b>\$3 94</b>
44	" Education	1 13
44	Expenses of the Convention,	50
66	Bibles and Prayer Books,	2 08
44	Tracts,	182
**	Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	2 00
64	Increase of the Episcopate Fund, General Fund for Church objects,	1 92
	Total,	\$13 39
The fo	llowing sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:	
For	Domestie Missions.	<b>83</b> 93
00	Parochial objects,	14 41
•	Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	4 00

The services enumerated above, have been rendered chiefly at Hunt's Hollow and Nunda, at which places the prospects of the church (with the exception of pecuniary resources) are more flattering than at any other period within the knowledge of your Missionary. I have also visited, as circumstances permitted, Portageville, Middlefalls, Mixville, Mills' Mills, and Cold Creek, and endeavored to search out the Episcopalians scattered throughout the neighboring country, and minister to their spiritual wants. The church in Hunt's Hollow has been much weakened during the past year by the death of several of the congregation; among which may be noticed the decease of Watler Bennett, Eq., one of the founders of this parish; a Warden, and a chief supporter of the pecasiary interests of the church.

#### BROOME COUNTY.

Christ Church Binghamton; the Rev. Edward Andrews, D. D., Rector.

Congregation: Panilibs 90; haptimes: (adults 5, infants 8:) total beptisms 13; communicants: added 17, removed 8: present number 74; marriages 6; burials 7; public services: on Sundays, Ash-Wednesday, Good Friday, Christmas day and evening, and other days occasionally. Catechetical exercises and Sunday school continued. In the winter months weekly lectures at private houses. The monthly collections have been duly made and forwarded to the proper officer.

Sickness and severe domestic affliction having incapacicated the Rector from performing service for the last five weeks, this report is somewhat imperfect. For the amount of money actually forwarded, reference may be had to the Treasurer's

Report.

# St. Luke's Church, Harpersville; the Rev. A. GRISWOLD, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 33, (adults 107, children 59;) total number of individuals 166; baptisms: (child) 1; communicants: admitted 1, died 2; present number 46; burials 5; public services: on Sundays 49; on other days 4; total number of services 53; Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 1, female 6;) total 7; pupils: (male 5, female 25;) total 39.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appro-

printed as follows, viz:

## Zion Church, Windsor; the Rev. J. V. Van Ingen, Rector.

Congregation: Families 16; baptisms: infants 4; communicants 6; public services: on Sundays 44; on other days 5, besides 16 days devoted to instruction from house to house; children catechized: about 20; publicly 7 times, besides catechizing from house to house.

This patish, organized a year ago, but admitted at the present session, has been greatly indebted to the zealous attention and labors of the Rev. Mr. Stokes, late Rector of the church at Harpersville, who may indeed be justly called its founder. A very decided influence, in inspiring and sustaining the hopes of those chusch people, who were the germs of the church here, is by them attributed to the Episcopel visits of the former and present Bishops of this Diocese.

#### CATTARAUGUS COUNTY.

# St. John's Church, Ellicottville; the Rev. Thomas Morris, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 36; total number of individuals about 150; baptisms: (adults 7;) confirmed 9; communicants: (admitted 13, received 2;) total number added 15; removed 3; present number 44; marriage 1; burials 2; public services, no record; Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 3, female 3;) total 6; pupils: (male 10, female 15;) total 25.

Monthly collections as per Treasurer's report; no exact account having been

kept, but will be done in future.

Upon the whole, we have cause of much thankfulness for the peace, prosperity and prospects of this parish; in all which there is a steady and increasing improvement.

# St. Stephen's Church, Olean; the Rev. Thomas Morris, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 19; total number of individuals about 50; baptisms: (adults 3, infant 1;) total 4; confirmed 9; communicants: (admitted) added 3; removed 3; present number 21; burial 1; public services, no record; Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 2, female 2;) total 4; pupils: (male 10, female 15;) total 25.

Monthly collections as per Treasurer's report.

At the invitation of the Vestry, I took charge of this parish in November last, (Rev. H. Hollis having removed to Mayville,) and found it, from a variety of adverse circumstances in a low condition. Among the most influential of these were the death and removal of some of the most devoted and zealous [friends of the church. Another cause was the great embarrassments felt by the community in monetary affairs, from which this parish has suffered much: and from these causes combined, the prospect is that this congregation will continue weak for some time to come, yet our hope and trust is in the Lord.

#### CAYUGA COUNTY.

## St. Peter's Church, Auburn; the Rev. WILLIAM CROSWELL, Rector.

Baptisms: (adult 1, infants 14;) total 15; confirmed 5; communicants: (admitted 6, received 2;) total added 8; died 3; present number 134.

Collections have been made and appropriated as follows:

General Fund for Church objects,		843 35
Mission at Prairie Hill, Wisconsin,		16 00
Church at Fulton,	_ •	10 00
at Moravia, (by subscription,)		69 00
at Jordan, " "	• •	17 00
" at Avon. Ohio		12 00
Fund for disabled Clergymen,	• •	20 18
Addition to Parsonage and S. S. Room, -		550 00
Repairing interior of Church,	• •	73 00
Other extra Parochial expenses,	• • •	81 53
	Total,	\$890 06

The condition of this parish, as to numbers, continues to be much the same as

restricted by the size of the church. The enlargement of the Parsonage, and the erection of a commodious Sunday school room, of brick, by the funds of a Ladies' association, and private subscription, are very important improvements, which have just been completed at considerable expense. Other improvements have been made in the interior of the church, and something begun towards beautifying a site, so peculiarly favored and interesting. These objects have required a draft upon the more liberal members of the parish, in addition to its usual expenses, which will account, in a measure, for a falling off in the contributions of the past year, to the General Fund for Church objects in the Diocese. It is hoped that the diminution will be but temporary.

### St. Paul's Church, Aurora.

## [There is no report from this Parish.]

St. Matthew's Church, Moravia; the Rev. BEARDSLEY NORTHROP, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 40; (adults 90, children 40;) total number of individuals 180; baptisms: (adults 5, infants 2;) total 7; communicants: (admitted 6, received 2;) total added 8; died 2; present number 46; marriages 4; burials 5; public services: on Sundays 97; on other days 14: total number of services 111; children catechised: number of times 4; Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 4, female 5;) total 9; pupils: (male 15, female 25;) total 40.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated at follows, viz:

For Diocesan Mission,

The following sums have also been collected for other ebjects, viz:

Christmas Fund,

For Pasochial objects,

Total,

\$10.00

Since our last Convention, my labors have been divided between Moravia and Genoa. The Parish of St. Matthew's, Moravia, though unfortunate in pecuniary matters, continues gradually to increase in its number of communicants, and I am happy in being able to state, that our church is expected soon to be completed and ready for consecration.

At Genoa, where I have devoted the smaller portion of my time, the services of the church are usually well attended, and preconceived prejudices seem to be yielding to the salutary influence of primitive truth and order, as held forth and exemplified in our excellent Liturgy.

St. Paul's Church, Montezuma, Cayuga County, and Christ Church, Jordan, Onondaga County; the Rev. ISAAC SWART, Missionary and officiating minister.

Baptisms: (adult 1, children 4, infants 2;) total 7; communicants: received 9; died 2; present number 64; marriages 2; burials 2; public services: on Sundays 115, on other days 14; total number of services 129; public discourses; on Sundays 114 on other days 18; total 127; children catechised; number of children 86; number of times 38.

The monthly collections 12, as follows:

Diocesan Missions,	-		-		•	•	-		-		•		-		<b>9</b> 2	58		
Domestic "		•		•		•		•		•		•		•	1	96		
Christmas Fund,	, <b>-</b>		•		-		•		•		•		-		-	88	_	
Parochial objects,		•		•		-		-		•		•		•	3	94	<b>\$</b> 11	46

An effort has been made during this year, to accumulate funds to erect a building

In Jordan, affording us a permanent, convenient, and suitable place in which to

assemble for public worship.

A gentleman of the place bound himself in writing, to part with a suitable lot, the location of which was pointed out, for one hundred dollars, donating the sum of one hundred and fifty by subscription. On this list was subscribed five hundred and swenty dollars, with the reasonable expectation of getting six hundred. This progress was stated to the Bishop; and thinking it probable that the sum of six hundred and fifty dollars more, (the amount of the lot and building being estimated at twelve hundred and fifty dollars,) could be obtained in and out of the Diocese, a letter was received from him recommending the enterprise to the liberality of the church public, and another one from the Bishop of New York.

A report concerning the collection and the expectation of sums to be realized, has been made to the Bishop. The amount of money collected has been acknowledged by the different Treasurers of the Diocese where it was obtained, with the exception of a small sum by myself; and, after deducting expenses, it has been paid to the Treasurer of this Diocese, subject to an order under the control of the Bishop, from the officiating minister of the place. There is a larger number who have been talk-

ing of being confirmed, than was confirmed last year.

#### CHAUTAUQUE COUNTY.

St. Peter's Church, Forrestville.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

Trinity Church, Fredonia.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

## St. Luke's Church, Jamestown; the Rev. H. Hollis, Missionary.

Of this church, upon my first visit, I found but two communicants. There has been, however, one added and one received, making the present number four. The person added was baptized and confirmed at Mayville. From the favorable disposition manifested, it would appear that the time was at hand, when the friends of our beloved Zion, might hope in this place, to enjoy her blood-bought privileges. I have neeched twice in the Congregational house of worship.

## St. Paul's Church, Mayville; the Rev. H. Hollis, Missionary.

Congregation: Families about 25; (adults 60, children 40;) total number of individuals 100; baptisms: (adult 1, living at Jamestown, infants 2;) total 3; confirmed 1, living at Jamestown; communicants: (received 2;) total added 2; present number 23; marriage 1; burial 1; public services: on Sundays 91; on other days 4; total number of services 95; Sunday school 1; teachers; (male 2, female 2;) total 4; pupils: (male 15, female 15;) total 30.

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In addition to the above services at Mayville, I have celebrated divine service on Sundays in Trinity church, Fredonia, eight times: at Jamestown twice, and twice at Olean.

Although the prospects of St. Paul's Parish are far from flattering, there is some reason to believe the state of the congregation has improved the year past. The apathy that has prevailed, we trust will give place, gradually, to a spirit of true zeal for the Lord of Hosts. Considering what is to be done, their pecuniary means are quite limited.

## St. Peter's Church, Westfield; the Rev. CHARLES B. STOUT, Rector.

Congregation: Families 40; (adults 116, children 68;) total number of individuals 184; baptisms: (adult 1, infants 6:) total 7; confirmed 4; communicants: (admitted 8, received 3:) total added 11; died 1; removed 3; present number 58; marriages 2, belonging to the parish, and two others: total 4; burials 4, and 2 at Fredonia; total 6; public services: on Sundays 98, on other days 12: total number of services 110; children catechised: number of children 40, number of times, regularly in the Sunday school. Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 3, female 6:) total 9; pupils: (male 15, female 25:) total 40.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have been made, in part, and

appropriated as follows, viz.:

For Diocesan Missions,

General Fund for Church objects,

The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz.:

For Christmas Fund,

The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal
Church in the United States: Domestic Missions,

Parochial objects; incidental,

Proceeds of Ladies' Fair towards the erection of a Parsonage,

100 00

In the above report are included four families and six communicants residing at Quincy, a small village eight miles distant; where services are statedly held the last Sunday afternoon or evening in every month, at which time a large congregation assemble to hear the "word preached," and some of the number to offer the "sacrifice of prayer and praise" according to our ritual. In spiritual things, the parish at Westfield is generally prosperous, the communicants having increased over one third in two years; and there is a much better feeling in the community towards the church than formerly.

#### CHEMUNG COUNTY.

## St. Paul's Church, Big Flatts.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. John's Church, Catharines; the Rev. M. A. NICKERSON, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 35; (adults 99, children 56;) total number of Individuals 155; baptisms: adults 2: total 2; communicants: (admitted 4;) total added 4; present number 35; marriages 7; burials 4; public services: on Sundays 49; on other days 5; Total number of services 54; sunday school 1; teachers: (male 4, female 4;) total 8; pupils 45.

Collections have been made	and ar	proj	riate	d as	follov	ve, viz	3	
For Diocesan Missions, Christmas offering,	•	-	-	•	•	•	•	\$5 00 3 00
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Regular services have been held at Havana. Number of services on Sundays 47.

## Trinity Church, Elmira; the Rev. Stephen Douglass, Rector.

Congregation: Families 51; baptisms: adults 2, infants 3: total 5; confirmed 13; communicants: (admitted 8, received 6;) total added 14; died 1; removed 24; present number 52; marriages 5; burials 6; public services: on Sundays 96; on other days 25: total number of services 121; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 3, female 6;) total 8; pupils: (male 14, female 16:) total 30.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., which have been made, have been appropriated as follows, viz:

St. James' Church, Jefferson; the Rev. Major A. Nickerson, Missionary.

Occasional services have been held at this place, and usually well attended.

#### CHENANGO COUNTY.

## St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

## Trinity Church, Coventry.

Statistics included in the report of the Rector of Zion Church, Greene, who has held divine service twice, and administered the communion once, in this Parish, in the past year.

## Zion Church, Greene; the Rev. John V. Van Ingen, Rector.

Congregation: Families 73: (adults 206, children 142;) total number of individuals 348; baptisms: adult 1, infants 6; total 7; communicants: (admitted 18, received 1;) total added 19; died 2; removed 2; suspended 1; present number 100; marriages 4; burials 9; public services: on Sundays 99; on other days 50: total number of services 149; children catechised regularly in the Sunday school and on week days during Lent

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Dioceean Missions, "General Fund for Church objects,	<b>\$4</b> 16	00	)
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:			
Christmas Fund, Rent of Bishop's house, by Ladies' society, For the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States:		90	
Domestic Missions, Congregation,	10	00 56	
For Parochial objects,		00	)
. Total,	116	56	;

The deficiency appearing in the above record of services, has been caused by filness in the Rector's family and by his own. This cannot be noted without grateful mention of the fact, that he finds himself in writing this, settled in a commodious parsonage, (in sight of the church edifice,) the property of the parish, as it is the fruit of its christian bounty.

It may be deemed not improper to add here, that the Holy Communion was administered in this Parish by the Rector, on every Sunday in Lent, save one, with

the happiest result.

# Christ Church, Guilford; the Rev. RICHARD FREDERICK BURNHAM, Rector.

Congregation: Families 45: (adults 103, children 86;) total number of individuals 189; baptisms: adults 23, infants 3: total 25; communicants: (admitted 25, received 2:) total added 27; died 2; present number 75; marriages 3; burials 5; public services: on Sundays 78; on other days 18: total number of services 96; children catechized 4 times; Sunday school 1; teachers; (male 4, female 4;) total 8; pupils: (male 20, female 20:) total 40.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions,	<b>83</b> 00
" " Education,	2 00
"Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	1 50
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz	:
For the Board of Missions of the Protestant Epicopal Church	-
in the United States: Domestic Missions	2 75
Parochial objects,	2 15
Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	5 75
Church at Moravia,	5 95
Total.	<b>8</b> 16 60

This report embraces a period of 8 months and 3 weeks, and dates from November 20, 1842, at which time the Rector took charge of the Parish. An addition to the church of 29 persons, the prospect of a farther addition, and the prospect of between thirty and forty candidates for confirmation, form, in the small community of Guilford, matives for humble gratitude to the Holy Trinity.

Grace Church, Mount Upton; the Rev. RICHARD FREDERICK, BURNHAN, Missionary.

I have preached in this church 4 times. The Rev. Mr. Ranson, of the Diocese of New York, preached several times in the Parish. Having nothing favorable to report of this Parish, I close with the wish for its spiritual presperity.

# St. Andrew's Church, New Berlin; the Rev. Andrew Hull, Rector.

Congregration: Families 56; (adults 160, children 105:) total number of individuals 265; baptisms: adults 6, infants 6: total 12; communicants: (admitted 3, received 1;) total added 4; died 2; removed 3; present number 62; marriages 3; burials 5; public services: on Sundays 110; on other days 4; total number of services 114; children catechised: number of children 60; number of times 4; Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 6, female 7;) total 13; pupils: (male 24, female 36;) total 60.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XiV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For	r Diocesan Missions,	•	<b>\$</b> 10	00
44	" Education,	•	10	00
•	Expenses of the Convention,	•	2	75
	Bibles, Prayer Books and Tracts,	•	6	00
56	Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	•	8	00
44	Fund for disabled Clergymen,	•	16	00
*	Rent of the Bishop's residence,	•	7	00
The fo	ollowing sums have also been collected for other objec	ts, viz:		
For	r the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Chu	rch	10	<b>^</b>

in the United States: Domestic Missions, - 12 00

" Parochial objects, - - - 370 94

Total, \$442 69

This church has recently been put in possession of a Parsonsge, conveniently located, the gift of three individuals, valued at \$1200; Mr. Joseph Moss, giving \$500; Mr. Charles Knap, \$100; and Mr. Jabes Beardaley, \$600. The Parsonage has been repaired by the congregation at considerable expense.

## Emanuel Church, Norwich; the Rev. DAVID M. FACELER, Rector.

Congregation: Families 28; (adults 76, children 20;) regular attendants 54; occasional, do. 23; baptisms: adults 5, infants 4; total 9; communicants: (admitted 4, received 1;) total added 5; removed 3; present number 25; marriages 2; public services: on Sundays 104; on other day 41; total number of services 145; children catechised 12 times.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions, -  " Disabled Clergy,			•	-	-	•	-	\$12 \$	12 75
The following sums have also	been	colle	cted	for o	ther	object	s, vi	<b>6</b> :	
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in the United States	: Don	<b>res</b> tic	Mie	Bion	ı, -	•	•		00
For Parochial objects,	• •	•	, _	•	•	•	•		42
Proceeds of a Ladies' sale	of nec	dle v	vork	, &c	·, -	•	•	96	00
						Tota	1.	\$102	42

There are \$7.51 of money collected for Missions, in the hands of the senior Warden of the last year, and it is hoped that it will be forwarded before the Journal is printed.

Of the services on days other than Sundays, 15 were in the County Jail, where I have been kindly received.

## St. Paul's Church, Oxford; the Rev. Thomas Towell, Rector.

Congregation: Families 62, (adults 184, children 94:) total number of individuals 278; baptisms: adult 1, infants 2: total 3; communicants: (received 4:) total added 4; died 1; removed 1; present number 90: marriages 3; burials 4; public services

on Sundays 104, on other days 30: total number of services 134; children catechised: number of children 45; number of times 10; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 4, female 7:) total 11; pupils, (male 22, female 23:) total 45.

The monthly collections required by Canon XIV, have been made and appro-

priated as follows, viz.:	
For Diocesan Missions,	<b>\$</b> 13 00
Female Missionary Association, for Diocesan Education and	
Missionary Fund,	<b>18 00</b>
For Expenses of the Convention,	3 00
"Bibles and Prayer Books,	4 00
"Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	3 60
The following sums have also been collected for other objects,	
vis.:	
For the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal church	
in the United States: Domestie Missions,	13 08
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Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, Parochial objects, 150 00

Total,

**\$**184 11

The repairs in St. Paul's church, in contemplation last year, are now progressing. It is said that in every point of view, pecuniary and otherwise, this parish was never in a more prosperous condition. The congregations are generally large and exceed-The Rector has held the extra services in school houses, in ingly attentive. districts principally inhabited by Baptists, who have on all occasions treated himself and the services of the church with respect and attention. The Bible class mentioned in the last report, is still continued every Wednesday evening. The attendance is good, and the increase in spiritual knowledge evinced by the answers given on those

Christ Church, Sherburne; the Rev. LIBERTY A. BARROWS, Rector.

occasions cheering. The practice is to commence with the regular evening service.

Congregation: Families 50, (adults 158, children 90:) total number of individuals 248; baptisms: adults 6, infants 5: total 11; communicants: (admited 8, received 2:) total added 10; died 3; removed 3; present number 66; marriages 5; burials 11; public services: on Sundays 108, on other days 12: total number of services 120; children catechised: number of children 28; number of times 4; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 2, female 7:) total 9; pupils, (male 18, female 28:) total 45.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have been made and appro-

priated as follows, viz.:

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Total, This parish has been much afflicted by sickness and death during the last year. One of our most useful citizens, and liberal supporters of the church, has been taken from us. This is the third instance since our organization that we have been called to mourn the loss of one upon whom we mostly relied. The liberal hand, and hearty co-operation in building up the church, will long endear to us the memory of Alex-

#### CORTLAND COUNTY.

Calvary Church, Homer.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

#### ERIE COUNTY.

## St. Paul's Church, Auroraville.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

Grace Church, Black Rock.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. Paul's Church, Buffalo; the Rev. WILLIAM SHELTON, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms: (adults 6, infants 56:) total 62; confirmed 31; communicants: added 15: died 14; present number 150: marriages 17: Sunday school pupils 150.

15; died 14; present number 150; marriages 17; Sunday school pupils 150.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have been made and appro-

printed as follows, viz:

		•	•	•	•	•		•	•	<b>\$</b> 184	13
44	Christmas Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		100	00
64	Parishes in Michi	gan,	Ohio,	Ind	liene	and N	I. Yo	rk.	•	224	30
	Sunday School.	•		,	•	•	•	•	•	100	
4	North Prairie, W.	. T.,	-	•	•	•	•	•	•	50	

Total, \$658 42

The general condition of the parish is that of steady advancement, and it is trusted a regular growth in grace, and a knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, marks its growth.

## Trinity Church, Buffalo; the Rev. C. S. HAWKS, Rector.

Congregation: Families 94; baptisms: (adults 9, infants 16:) total 25; confirmed

32; communicants 105; marriages 9: burials 6.

The monthly collections required by Canon, have been made and remitted to the Treasurer. The whole amount is \$222.50. Due allowance will be made for the amount of these contributions, when it is remembered that the Parish during the early part of the past year has been raising large sums of money for the purpose of completing the church edifice. The building is now finished and was consecrated in January last.

### GENESEE COUNTY.

St. James' Church, Batavia; the Rev. James A. Bolles, Rector.

Congregation: Families 126, (adults 366, children 230:) total number of individuals 596; baptisms: adults 7, infants 33: total 40; confirmed 24; communicants: (admitted 24, received 3:) total added 27; died 3; removed 2; present number 152; marriages 12; burials 10; public services: on Sundays 124; on other days 70; total number of services 194; children catechised the first Sunday in every month: Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 9, female 12:) total 21; pupils: (male 40, female 60:) total 100.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, yis:

For Diocesan Missions, Christmas Fund,	-	•	•		•	\$40 38	35 86
<sup>66</sup> Expenses of the Convention	•	•	•	•	•	11	50
" Rent of Bishop's house, " The church at Moravia, -	•	•	•	• •	•	_	00 50
" General Fund for Church objects	•	•	•	• •	•		09 <b>26</b>
The following sum has also been collected	d for			•			
Parochial objects, Communion Fund,	•	•	•		•	105	54
			T	otal,		9375	1Ŏ

In addition to the above, this church has raised about three thousand dollars for Parochial objects, and the year has been one of more than ordinary prosperity, both in a temporal and spiritual point of view.

# St. Mark's Church, Le Roy; the Rev. GEORGE D. GILLESPIE, Rector.

Congregation: Families 61, (adults 181, children 91:) total number of individuals 273: baptisms: adults 2, infants 6: total 8; confirmed 9; communicants: (admitted 4, received 11:) total added 15; died 1; removed 10; present number 83; marriage 1; burials 6; public services: on Sundays 103; on other days 55: total number of services 158; Sunday school teachers, (male 9, female 11:) total 20; pupils 92; average attendance of pupils 50; the Minister superintends the Sunday school, takes part in the instruction of the scholars, and presches quarterly to the children.

The monthly collections required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz.:

	For	Diocesan		•	-	•	•	•	•	•	<b>988</b>	68
			Education		•	•	•	•	•	•	5	00
	44		Prayer Bo	oks,	•	-	•	•	•	•	3	00
	44	Tracts,	• •	•	-	•	- ,		•	•	3	$\infty$
	64	Increase o	f the Episc	opete l	.bom?	•	•	-	-	•	10	00
	44	Domestie	Missions.	•	•		•		•		15	00
	44		g the churc	h at M	oravi	٨.	•	•	•	•		00
	44	Building a	church at	Jorden.	Ono	ndag	R COE	ntv.	•	•		00
	84	Mission to	Texas.	•	•			-	•	•		00
	84	Mission to		•	•	•	•	•	-	•	_	49
Th	e foi	llowing sur	ns have al	o beer	a colle	ected	, vis.	:				
	For	the Christ	mas Fund.	•	-	•		•	•	•	<b>\$20</b>	00
			e Sunday	chool	for the	Afr	ican i	Missi	on.	•	117	44
	Inc	ome of the	offertory,	•	••	•	•	•	-	-	31	96
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The Minister of the Parish has officiated at Mumford every fortnight at a third service, and has baptized one adult, who was subsequently confirmed at the Bishop's visitation; the Holy Communion has been twice administered. Number of communicants at present 10; admitted since the last report 2; received 2. Collected for Diocesan Missions \$2.11. He has also officiated twice at Pavillion, once at Wyoming, once in a School house near the yillage, and once at Bergen.

## St. Paul's Church, Stafford; the Rev. STEPHEN C. MILLETT, Rector.

Congregation: Families 41: (admits 130, children 44:) total number of individuals 164; baptisms: admits 6, infants 17: total 28: confirmed 14; communicants added 26; present number 58; marriages 2; burials 4; public services: on Sundays 110; on

other days 10; total number of services 120; children catechised: number of children 33; Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 3, female 3:) total 6; pupils: (male 16, female 17:) total 33.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions,  General Fund for Church objects,	•	- <b>\$3</b> 00
General rund for Church objects,	•	3 00
The following sums have also been collected for other		
Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, For the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcope in the United States: Domestic Missions,	•	- 5 00
For the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcope	ri Chur	ch
in the United States: Demestic Missions,	• •	2 60
Parochial objects,	•	- 30 50
		240.40
	Total	849 KA

The contributions of this parish have been much less for the various objects, designated by the Canon, than we could desire, but it is to be hoped they will be far more abundant during the present year.

Besides the regular services at Stafford, I have commenced holding a third service at Bethany, once in two weeks.

#### JEFFERSON COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Brownville.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. John's Church, Cape Vincent; the Rev. NATHANIEL WATKINS, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 30, (adults 125, children 35:) total number of individuals 160; baptisma: adults 11, infants 7: total 18; communicants: (admitted 18, received 1:) total added 19; removed 5; present number 52; marriages 10; burials 4; public services: on Sundays 140, on other days 30: total number of services 170: children catechised: number of children 20; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 5, female 6:) total 11; pupils, (male 15, female 25:) total 40.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz.:

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The parish is, I think, in a prosperous state. Your Missionary has reason to thank God and take courage; ignorant prejudices against the truth, (so common to all new parishes,) are disappearing. All my people seem willing to "do good and communicate" according to their means; but, generally speaking, we have but little of this world's goods, which will account for the smallness of our contributions for church objects.

All Saints Church, Dexter.

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[There is no report from this Parish.]

## Zion Church, Pierrepont Manor; the Rev. Josian M. Bartlett, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 33; (adults 81, children 64:) total number of individuals 145; baptisms: infant 1; communicants: (received 4;) died 1; present number 44; marriages 3; burials 3; public services: on Sundays 101, on other days 11: total number of services 112; children catechised every Sunday morning; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 3, female 5:) total 8; pupils, (male 24, female 33:) total 57; average attendance 38.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have been made and appro-

priated as follows, viz.:

For	Diocesan	Missions.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	<b>\$</b> 54	00
44	4	Education,	•	•		•	•	•	•	_	00
64	Expenses	of the Conv	ention.	•	•	•	•	-	•	3	37
44	Bibles an	d Prayer Be	oks, -	•		•	•	•	•		00
44	Tracts.		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	10	00
**	Increase	of the Epise	copate 1	Pand,		•	•	•	•	3	00
44	General I	fund for Chu	irch obj	ects,	•	•	•	•	•	5	00
	the Christ The The	ims have als imas Fund fo ological Sen	or disabi inary,	led Cl	erg	yme	n,	•	•	7	50° 00
44	church Rent of	rd of Miss in the Unite the Bishop's	ed Stafe house,	s: D	Prome	otesti stic ! -	int Missi	Episcions,	opal	11	75 18
44		chool Unio		•	•	•	•	-	•		00
44	Parochia	l objects, ab	out ·	•		•	•	•	•	800	00
							•	Total	•	<b>\$93</b> 8	74

Since the last report, a considerable change has been made in our arrangements for the celebration of public worship; among which are the following: an organ of superior tone and beautiful finish, has been procured and set up in the church; a neat orchestra has been erected for the reception of this instrument and the accommodation of the choir; the position of the slips has been altered and improved; the house has been painted anew throughout the interior; and an additional story has been placed upon the bell tower. In reporting these improvements, it is but an act of common justice to add, that the whole trouble and expense connected with them were voluntarily undertaken by the well known individual to whom the parish owes its origin, and to whom it is indebted mainly for its support. The attendance on the services of the church has been increased during the past year, and the congregations are larger the present summer than they have been at any former period.

Christ's Church, Sackets Harbor; the Rev. B. Judd, D. D., Missionary.

Congregation: Families 33; buptisms: (adult 1, children 2:) total 3; communicants: (added) 10: removed 3; present number 33; Bible scholars 31; Sunday scholars 25; teachers 6; marriage 1; burial 1; children catochised monthly.

Monthly collections have been made, but used in payment of former demands against the church. Monthly collections for the future will be made for Missionary nd other Diocesan purposes. To supply in some measure this deficiency, the following contributions have been made: to Diocesan Missions \$5, and to rent of Bishop's house \$5, by B. Judd; and to Diocesan Missions \$5, to Kenyon College \$5, to Foreign Missions \$5, to Domestic Missions \$5, by Captain Joseph Smith of the United States Army.

With an introduction from the Bishop, your Missionary came to this place in December last, to officiate on Christmas and to remain a few days, intending to return and to rest a short time from the duties of the ministry, after the almost uninterrupted labor of more than forty years; but finding this little flock without a shepherd, and willing to do what they are able to do, to maintain one, and being encouraged by a prospect of usefulness, I have remained with them.

Public worship is sustained by a small number of the inhabitants of the village, and by some of the officers of the Garrison, by whom every reasonable effort is made to render the situation of their minister comfortable and agreeable.

The services of the church have been usually performed three times in the week.

in which a goodly number have joined. Three Sundays your Missionary has been necessarily absent, one of which he preached at Waterloo, and two at Ithaca, the Rector being absent. Contemplating what God hath done for this little flock, we have reason to be thankful, and to hope and pray that of his goodness he may preserve and strengthen it to the praise of his good name.

Trinity Church, Watertown.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

#### LEWIS COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Lowville.

## [Report by Lay Reader.]

Congregation: Families 12: (adults 33, infants 31.) total number of individuals 64; baptisms: adults 5, infants 5: total 10; communicants 25; marriage 1; public services 11; lay reading, since April last, twice each Sunday; Sunday school 1; teachers 5; pupils 20.

During the past year, communion has been administered but once, by the Rev. Y. P. Tyler.

Contributions to Church objects, - - - - \$11 00

Note.—There are about 15 persons ready and desirous to receive the holy rite of confirmation.

St. Paul's Church, Turin.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

#### LIVINGSTON COUNTY.

Zion Church, Avon; the Rev. Samuel G. Appleton, Rector.

Congregation: Families 48: (adults 122, children 89:) total number of individuals 211; baptisms: adults 10, infants 5: total 15; confirmed 10; communicants: (admitted 6, received 3:) total added 9; removed 5; present number 39; marriages 5; burials 2; public services: on Sundays 120, on other days 21: total number of services 141; children catechised: number of children 37; number of times 5; Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 2, female 4:) total 6; pupils: (male 14, female 25:) total 39.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows: viz:

The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz :

For the Board of Missions of the in the United States: D								hw	rch -	3	05
" Parochial objects, Rent of Bishop's house, - Fund for disabled Clergymen.	•	•	-	•		د . د	•	•	J	5 13	00 60 00
Church at Painsville, (Ohio,)	•		•		•	•	**	tal.		<b>8</b> 57	00

By the blessing of God, this parish is gradually advancing in spiritual and temporal prosperity. During the incumbency of the present Rector, a period of less than three years, the number of communicants has doubled, and the congregation has much increased, though it has suffered severely by removal.

I have preached several times in the village of Lima in this county, to large and attentive congregations. Here are a few members of our communion, and I trust the Providence of God will soon open a way for the establishment of the Church in that flourishing village.

# St. Peter's Church, Danwille; the Rev. NATH. F. BRUCK, M. D., Missionary.

Congregation: Families 16: (adults 60, children 25:) total number of individuals 85; baptisms: adult 1, infants 3: total 4; confirmed 1; communicants: (admitted 3, received 4:) total added 7; died 1; present number 10; burials 2; public services: on Sundays 243; on other days 4: total number of services 247; children catechised every Sunday.

From the period of my last report, I continued to officiate every two weeks in Dansville, and alternately in Cuba, Hornelsville and Phillipsburgh the remainder of the time, until about the first of March, when, in consequence of indisposition and the severity of the season, I was compelled to suspend the performance of my dusies—about the first of April, I received a communication from St. Peter's Church, Densville, proposing to remove with my family and take the exclusive charge of the Church there, to which, after communication with the Bishop on the subject, I consented and removed to Dansville in May last, since which time my services have been confined to that place. As all the places included in this station are new, and the church unknown in any of them, Dansville excepted, although in all of them are a few individuals attached to the church, much improvement could not be expected from services so few and far between. In Cuba, I baptized one adult, and attended one funeral, and baptized one child in Hornelsville. In Dansville, I think I am warranted in saying that the condition of this almost expiring parish is improving. Our congregation though variable, has steadily improved—and we hope with the blessing of God upon our humble efforts for the promotion of piety and religion, will continue to dozo. I have again to acknowledge the inceptedness of your Missionary to friends in St. Luke's church, Rochester, for a donation last winter of fifty dollars. To the liberality of these friends, the station of Honeoye Falls and the station now occupied by your Missionary are obliged for their fostering care; for so small has been the pecuniary remuneration for your Missionary's services, that without this generous assistance from St. Luke's church, the services at both stations must have been abandoned by your Missionary.

## St. Peter's Church, Danby.

## [There is no report from this Parish.]

St. Michael's Church, Geneseo; the Rev. Edward Ingresoll, Rector.

Congregation: Families 40: (adults 139, children 83:) total number of individuals 232; baptisms: adults 4, infants 12: total 16; confirmed 27; communicants: (admitted 13, received 6:) total added 19; died 2; removed 17; present number 55;

marriages 2; burials 8; public services: on Sundays 98, on other days 56: total number of services 154; Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 2, female 5:) total 7; pupils: (male 15, female 25:) total 40.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appro-

printed as follows, viz:

	•	-	•	•	•	<b>\$</b> 21 56
" Education,		•	•	•	•	12 00
" Expenses of the Diocesan Conven	tion.	•	•	•	-	2 00
" Bibles and Prayer Books, -	•		•	•	•	10 00
"Tracts,	•	•	•	•	•	3 00
" Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	•		•	•	•	4 55
St. Matthew's Church, Moravia,	•	-	-	٠.	•	17 00
" Church at Painsville, Ohio, -	•		•	•	•	10 00
ne following sums have also been collect	cted f	ior (	ther	obje	cts, vi	<b>s</b> :

For Christmas collection for disabled Clergymen,

The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal **8**24 21 **20 00** church in the United States: Domestic Missions, -

> Total amount contributed. **8**124 3**2**

In addition to the public services, in the church, reported above, the Rector has officiated several times, on Sunday evenings in places remote from the Parish church. The children of the parish have been frequently catechised by the Rector, in the Sunday School. The names of several individuals, residing in neighboring towns, but registered as communicants of St. Michael's, have been erased from the list; these persons having absented themselves from the public services of the church during the past year. On this account, the number of "removals" reported in the foregoing statistics is unusually large, compared with former reports.

## St. John's Church, Mount Morris; the Rev. Charles D. COOPER, Rector.

Congregation: families 50: total number of fadividuals 358; haptisms: adults 11, infants 5: total 16; confirmed 22; communicants: added 17; died 2; present number 76; marriages 3; burials 4; Sunday school 1; teachers 7; scholars 30.

The following collections have been made during the last year:

For Domestic Missions,	•	•	•		•	•	•	-		•		•	<b>\$</b> 59	00
Dioceean Missions, -	•	•		•		-	-		•		•		30	55
Disabled Clergymen, -	•	-	•		•		•	•		•		•	50	<b>00</b>
Rent of Bishop's house,	•	•		•		•	•	•	•		•		10	00
Episcopal Church at More	via		•		•		•	•		•		•	10	00
Kenyon College, (Ohio,)	•	•		•		•	-		•		•		30	00
Communion collections,	•		•		•		•	-		•		•	30	00
Altering church, &c.,	•	•		•		•	-	•	•		•		500	00
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#### MADISON COUNTY.

## St. Thomas' Church, Hamilton.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

## St. John's Church, Oneida Depot.

This church has been organized during the past season, and is under the charge of the Roy. Mr. Battin, the Missionary at Rome.

St. Stephen's Church, Perryville.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

#### MONROE COUNTY.

St. Luke's Church, Brockport; the Rev. CHARLES J. Todd, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 47; baptisms: (adults 2, infant 1:) total 3; confirmed 2; communicants 32; marriage 1.

Divine service has been but seldom attended in this place, there being no house in which to assemble. For some time it was in contemplation to fit up a room for the purpose of public worship; but this design is now relinquished, and, as far as can be ascertained, it is now the determination to erect a church edifice in that village as soon as practicable. A subscription is drawn for this object, and from the character of the individuals who are engaged in this laudable determination, and who will be the prime movers, we cannot entertain a doubt but what it will be carried into effect. When this shall bave been done, the congregation will be large, and it is believed every way competent to sustain themselves with the regular services of the church for the whole time.

----, Clarkson; the Rev. Charles J. Todd, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 16; communicants 9; burial 1; Bible class 30.

....., Kendall; the Rev. Charles J. Todd, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 11; communicants 15; baptism: (infant) 1; confirmed 1; Sunday scholars 20.

In Clarkson, the first Episcopal services were performed by the Rev. Mr. Knight, in 1837. In Kendall, the services of the church were first performed by the same Clergyman in 1838. I find, however, no registers or minutes whatever relating to the church here. My duties commenced at this station June 5th, 1842; but as no suitable accommodations could be made in Brockport for the congregation, my services have been almost entirely confined to Clarkson and Kendall, in which places I have officiated Sundays alternately; holding a third service at 5 o'clock. I have attended one funeral in the town of Green, and preached once in the town of Parma. The present prospect of the church, both in Clarkson and Kendall, is favorable, far exceeding the expectation of its friends, cherished a year since. That prejudice, so often found to exist against the Episcopal mode of worship, in the more unimproved sections of our country, appears to be fast wearing away; and the applications made to me by the people to officiate among them, are more than I can meet. Our congregations are as large, and I may say frequently larger, than those of the other denominations around us, usually numbering from 90 to 100 persons, and in some instances 200; but it is to be remembered that these are not churchmen, and it is no easy duty to impress upon their mind the sacred nature of a church, and a due regard for its ordinances and sacraments. Hence it is that I have not been able to make out a report as satisfactory, in many respects as could be wished. A church has not been organized in either of these places; on this subject we are waiting the Bishop's decision. Trusting in the Divine Guardian of his church, we believe that through his providence it will grow up fair and beautiful in these places which have so long laid waste.

St. John's Church, Honeoye Falls; the Rev. HENRY LOCKWOOD, Rector.

Congregation: Families 32, (adults 83, children 42?) total number of individuals 125; baptisms: adults 6, infant 1:) total 7; confirmed 13; communicants: (admitted 16, received 3:) total added 19; present number 26; marriages 2; burials 2; public aervices: on Sundays 90, on other days 11: total number of services 101: children catechised: number of children 20; number of times 6; Sunday school 1; teachers (male 2, female 3:) total 5; pupils, (male 8, female 12:) total 20.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have been made and appro-

For Diocesan Missions,

Christmas Fund,

The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz.:

The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal
Church in the United States: Domestic Missions,

Foreign Missions,

Parochial objects,

Total.

\$57.71

Trinity Church, Penfield.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. Luke's Church, Rochester.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

Grace Church, Rochester; the Rev. WILLIAM E. EIGENBRODT, Rector.

Baptisms: (sdults 2, infants 31:) total 33; confirmed 11; communicants: (admitted 15, received 12): total added 27; removed 7; present number 108; marriages 5; burials 16; public services: on Sundays 105; on other days 56: total number of services 161; children catechized 25 times; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 8, female 11:) total 19; pupils (male 40, female 41:) total 81.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appro-

rialed as iollows, viz :	
For General Fund for Church objects,	<b>\$77 79</b>
"Diocesan Missions,	8 00
"Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	5 00
Domestic Missions, in compliance with the Bishop's	
pastoral letter,	<b>15 00</b>
The following sums have also been collected for other objects:	
For Domestic Missions, (Prairieville, Wisconsin,)	20 00
" Relief of Zion church, Fulton, Oswego county, W. N. Y.,	11 53
* Rent of the Bishop's residence,	17 45
" Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	22 00
Sunday school Library,	<b>45 00</b>

Total, \$221 77

Besides the services in the parish church, as here reported, the Rector has escasionally officiated at Penfield and Pittsford.

#### NIAGARA COUNTY.

# St. Paul's Church, Lewiston; the Rev. Rufus Murray, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 32: (adults 102, children 63:) total number of individuals 165; baptisms: (adults 10, infants 16:) total 26; confirmed 15, and 3 at Youngstown; total 18; communicants: (admitted) added 9; removed 1; present number 46; marriages 11; burials 9; public services: on Sundays 102, on other days 25: total number of services 127; Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 3, female 4:) total 7; pupils: (male 20, female 30:) total 50.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For	r Diocessa	a Missions	<b>L</b>	• .	•	•	•	•	•	•	<b>\$</b> 5 00
66	46	Education	'n.	•	•	•		•	•	•	2 00
44	Expense	of the Co	nve	ntior		•			•	•	2 00
44	Increase	of the Eni	BCOT)	ata	Fund.	•	•	•	•	•	1 29
44	Increase General	Fand for (	hur	cp o	bjects	7		•	•	•	1 25
The fo	llowing st	uns have t	leo '	been	colle	cted	for ot	her	objec	ts, vi	ď:
Fo	r the Board in the	of Mission	ns of	the	Prote	stant	Episc	opa	l Chu	reb	
	in the	United St	ates	: Do	mesti	c Mi	raione,		•	•	2 00
44	Parochia	l objects.		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	15 00
4.	Parochia Christma	Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	18 00

In addition to the above services, I have held a third at Youngstown, once in two weeks, alternately, principally during the year, and one at Niagara Falls.

## Christ Church, Lockport; the Rev. Origen P. Holcom, Rector.

Congregation: Families 56: (adults 167, children 103:) total number of individuals 270; baptisms: adults 3, infant 8:) total 11; confirmed 19; communicants: (admitted 8, received 5:) total added 13; removed 2; present number 58; marriages 4; burials 3; public services: on Sundays 104, on other days 13: total number of services 117; Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 2, female 3:) total 5; pupils: (male 12, female 18:) total 30.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made, and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missic	ons,	•	•	•	•		•	•	-	\$3	00
" Expenses of the	Conve	mtion,	•	٠	-	ı	•	•	•		00
" Christmas Fund	, -	• `	<b>'</b> -	-	-	•	•	• '	•	7	30
The following sum has	also be	en col	lee	ted fe	文						
Parochial objects,	•	• •		•	•	•		•	•	27	54
							•	Total		<b>83</b> 9	84

In the Lenten season, I organized a Bible class, consisting of twenty young persons of the congregation. The class has been assembled every Sunday evening, and the exercises continued with increased interest, both in the study of the Scriptures, and from the explanations elicited on the distinctive doctrines of the church. The meetings have been closed with devotional services.

P. S. It remains to report that by invitation, during the temporary absence of the Rector, in the month of June, I attended one funeral and celebrated one marriage

in the Parish of Grace Church.

## Grace Church, Lockport; the Rev. LLOYD WINDSOR, Rector.

Congregation: Families 80: (adults 200, children 160: total number of Individuals 360: baptisms: adults 6, infants 20: total 26; confirmed 22; communicants:

Admitted 14, received 8:) total added 22; died 1; removed 8; present number 99; tharriages 2; burials 6; public services: on Sundays 120, on other days 30: total number of services 150; children catechized: number of children 82, number of times 52; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 7, female 7:) total 14; pupils, (male 37, female 45:) total 82.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated at follows, viz:

Fa	r Diocesan Mission	• •		- 822 00
66	Expenses of the Convention,	• •	• •	- 4 00
•	Bibles and Prayer Books, -	• •	• •	- 200
•	Tracts,	• •	• •	- 100
•4	Increase of the Episcopate Fund	đ,	• •	- 4 00
•	General Fund for Church object	cts, -	• •	- 4 00
The £	ollowing sums have also been col	•	ther object	ts, viz:
Fo	r the Board of Missions of the Pro-	testant Epi	scopel Chu	rch
	in the United States: Domes	tic Mission	B. • •	- 28 08
61	Foreign Missions,	•	<i>:</i>	- 3 00
44	Parochial objects,	• •	• •	- 100 00
64	Christmas Fund,	•		- 14 00
*	Rent of Bishop's house,	• •	• •	- 6 00
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The church edifice has been repaired and painted in the interior, and presents a very neat and handsome appearance. The state of the congregation is visibly improved in all respects since last year, and will continue, under the divine blessing of the Great Head of the church, I trust, still to advance.

## St. Luke's Church, Royalton.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

#### ONEIDA COUNTY.

## Christ Church, Bridgewater; the Rev. F. C. Brown, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 20, the same as last reported; communicants: (received) added 1; present number 13; marriage 1; public services: on Sundays 61, on other days 10: total number of services 71.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan	Missions,	• '•	•	•	-	-	•	•	<b>9</b> 2 25
. " Tracts,	• •	•	•	-					1 50
The following su	m has als	o been o	rollec	ted					
For the Board	of Mission	s of the	Prote	stani	Epie	CODE	l Ch	ırch	
in the	United Sta	tes: Do	mesti	c Mi	ssion	8, -	•	•	75
					•	-			

Total, \$4.50

The Missionary has given his services to this parish one half of the time. The collections have not been made regularly. The Chapel was opened for public worship on Ash-Wednesday, Good Friday, and weekly during Lent. The church is indebted here to the occasional assistance of the Rev. Mr. Burgess.

Trinity Church, Camden; the Rev. Edward D. Kennicott, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 50, (adults 138, children 99:) total number of individuals 237; baptisms: (adult 1, infants 26:) total number 27; communicants: whole number 40; died 2; removed 1; present number 37; marriages 2; burials 3; publis services: generally twice every Sunday, and occasionally at other times; number of children catechized 21; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 8, female 10:) total 18; pupils: (male 16, female 24:) total 40.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have not been regularly made and appropriated, owing to the pressing calls upon the parish for other purposes; yet they have contributed as follows, viz.:

						•
For Diocesan Missions,	•	-	•	•	-	<b>32</b> 00
" " Education, -	-	•	-	•	-	2,00
" Bibles and Prayer Books, -	-	-	-	•	-	1 00
" Tracts	•	•	•	•	•	1 00
" Increase of the Episcopate Fund	, -	•	•	•	•	2 00
The following sums have also been colle	ected	l for o	ther c	bject	s, viz	; <b>:</b>
For erection of a Church edifice,		•		•	· ·	1500 00
" Purchase of an Organ	-	•	•	-	•	300 00
" Purchase of an Organ, - " Ordinary Parochial objects, -	•	•	•	-	•	50 00
			-		4	21050 00

Total, \$1858.00

This parish, although recently formed, is in quite a prosperous condition. The congregations are respectable in numbers and influence, and are continually on the increase. When we reflect that it has been but one year since the sound of a church Minister's voice was first heard in this vicinity, we have great reason to praise the Lord for the impulse which he has given to the cause of Christ in this place.

# St. Paul's Church, Holland Patent; the Rev. MARCUS A. PERRY, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 19; baptisms: (infants) 2; communicants: (admitted 3, received 1:) total added 4; died 1; present number 35; marriages 2; burials 6; public services: on Sundays 104, on other days 5; total number of sevices 109; children catechised 12 times; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 2, female 1:) total 3; pupils 29.

The monthly collections required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz.:

For Expenses of the	Conv			-	_			•		<b>\$</b> 5 09 5 00
" Christmas Fund, "The church of Mo	oravia		•					_	-	
The following sum has al	so be	en col	lect	ed f	or					
Parochial objects,	-	-	•	•	•	•	•	-	•	10 50
							•	Total	•	\$30 00

In addition to services above stated, the Rector has visited and preached at Remsen, a village eight miles distant from the Patent, where a few individuals are desirous of having a church organized, and are taking measures for carrying it into effect. I have exchanged one Sunday with the Rev. Mr. Battin, of Rome, inforder to administer the Sacrament to his communicants; I have administered the Sacrament twice in private to sick persons. The parish of St. Paul's, I think, is gradually improving, both in members and in the regularity of its members on Divine service. Hobert Hall Academy continues to be prosperous, having enrolled on its list for the current year, nearly one hundred scholars; and prospects for the third term, which will commence on Monday the 28th of August, so far as I have accertained, are very encouraging.

Gethsemane Church, Hampton; the Rev. Stephen McHugh, Missionary.

(The report of this Parish is included in that of St. Peter's Church, Oriskany.)

# St. Stephen's Church, New-Hartford; the Rev. HOBART WILLIAMS, Rector.

Congregation: Families 49; (adults 152, children 93:) total number of individuals 245; baptisms: infants 14; communicants: (admitted 4, received 4:) total added 8; died 1; removed 7; present number 61; marriages 3; burials 4; public services 15; children catechized: number of children 15, number of times 12; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 4, female 7:) total 11; pupils, (male 20, female 36:) total 56.

The monthly collections required by Canen XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz.:

For	Diocesan Missiens,	-	- \$5	00
44	Bibles and Prayer Books,	• •	2	00
64	Tracts,		- 2	00
64	General Fund for Church objects,	• •	4	00
The fo	llowing sums have also been collected for oth	er objects	viz:	
For	St. Matthew's church, Moravia,	•	. 2	00
44	Zion church, Fulton,		2	00
44	the Board of Missions of the Protestant Epico	pal Churc	h	
	in the United States: Domestic Missions,	•		00
. 46	Fcreign Missions,		3	00
A	Parochial objects,	•	- 44	00
		Total,	971	00

# St. Peter's Church, Oriskany; the Rev. Stephen McHuch, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 32; adults 79, children 60:) total number of individuals 139; baptisms: infants 2; communicants: (received) added 2; removed 2; present number 54; marriages 2; burial 1; public services: on Sundays 54, on other days 4: total number of services 58; children catechized: number of children 34, number of times 2; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 2, female 4:) total 6; pupils, (male 8, female 28:) total 36.

Collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz.:

For General Fund for Ch The following sum has also	rurch been	objec colle	-	•	-	•	•	<b>\$</b> 3 <b>5</b> 0
For Parochial objects,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	40 00
						Tota	al.	843 50

The Missionary has strong reasons to believe, that after the visitation of the Bishop, there will be several accessions to the communion. He would observe that in addition to the above services, he has officiated 36 times for Gethsemane Parish, Hampton; twice in Rome, twice in New Hartford, and once in Oneida: he would further observe that he has devoted much time and attention to the De Lancey Institute; and the best practical proof which he can furnish of its utility as a Church Institution, is, that three persons who have been connected with it during the past year, have very recently been admitted candidates for orders in this Diocese.

# St. Paul's Church, Paris Hill; the Rev. HENRY PECK, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 32: (adults 94, children 60:) total number of individuals 154; baptisms: (adults 2, infant 1:) total 3; communicants: admitted 3; removed 2; died 1; present number 36; marriage 1; burials 7; public services: on Sundays 84; on other days 8: total 92.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have been made (that is during the time that I regularly officiated) and appropriated as follows, viz:

44	Domestic Missions, The General Fund,	•	•	•	•	•	•	-	•	6 53	3
86 88	Christmas Offering for Parochial objects,	disal	bled -	Clerg	ymen			•	-	5 00 125 0	_
		•					•	•		-	-

**\$138 00** 

Total,

The term for which I was engaged to perform the stated services in this parish, closed with Easter day. Since which time I have preached on Sundays nine times in this parish.

## Zion Church, Rome; the Rev. S. H. BATTIN, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 37; (adults 108, children 72:) stotal number of individuals 180; haptisms: (adults 12, infants 5:) total 17; more than 20 individuals are ready for confirmation; communicants: (admitted 15, received 9:) total added 24; removed 4; present number 53; marriages 1 in, and 3 out of the parish; burials 2 in, and 1 out of the parish; public services: on Sundays twice, on other days 157: total number of services 159; children catechized: number of children 20, number of times 6; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 3, female 6:) total 9; pupils, (male 12, female 30:) total 32.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For	r Diocesan Missions,	<b>94 3</b> 0
44	Expenses of the Convention, • • • • •	5 35
<b>65</b>	Bibles and Prayer Books,	3 36
<b>#</b>	Tracts.	2 87
•	Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	3 12
64		3 97
The fe	bllowing sums have also been collected for other objects, viz	:
For	r the Theological Seminary,	<b>93</b> 50
44	The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal	
	church in the United States: Domestic Missions,	5 00
64	Foreign Missions,	3 89
44	Parochial objects, being proceeds of all Sunday col-	
	lection since January 1st.	80 00
•	Christmas Fund.	9 07
44	Rent of the Bishop's house,	3 33
44	Church at Moravia.	1 75
44	Sunday school Union,	2 52
44	Proceeds of Ladies' Fair.	141 00
	Total.	8272 03

It will be seen, by a reference to the preceding report, that in a year of unpredented embarrassments in money matters, our little parish has raised \$200, and upwards, for parochial objects, more than in any previous year. It ought also to be mentioned that they have enlarged the sum for the support of the present Mission-year \$125 above that provided for his predecessor. This is doing nobly.

During the year, a "Parish Library" has been founded. The Parish Register was found by the Missionary to have been irregularly kept; he has transcribed all the papers found into a new book. About 50,000 pages of tracts, chiefly doctrinal, have been circulated in this parish and neighborhood. A new Vestry building has been put up, and our organ has been trebled in size and value. The Missionary has made more than 500 parochial visits, and travelled about 1,400 miles. Since November last, he has held a third service and preached regularly every Sunday evening at Oneida Depot, where St. John's church was organized in May last. A Sunday school also, of nearly forty children, connected with this parish, was opened in the spring, and is conducted by six teachers, with the superintendent.

During the winter he held a regular weekly service on Wednesday evening, with the reading of a selected sermon; and during Lent two services on Wednesday and Friday evenings, with the reading of a homily.

The Missionary has visited, by request, the church in Lowville in July last, where he spent seven days, preached 5 times, married one couple, and baptized 3 adults and 5 children.

## Grace Church, Utica; the Rev. George Leeds, Rector.

Congregation: Families 82: (adults 242, children 142:) total number of individuals 384; baptisms: adult I, infants 8: total 9; communicants: (admitted 5, received 12:) total added 17; died 2; removed 8; present number 99; marriages 2;

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burials 7; public services: on Sundays 102, on other days 4: total number of services 110; children catechized: number of children 70; number of times 12; Sund ay school I; teachers: (male 4, female 9:) total 13; pupils; (male 23, female 47:) total 70.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz. :

For Diocesan Missions, The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz: For the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal church in the United States: Domestic Missions, **25 00** Foreign Missions, 2 00 " Parochial objects, **5**73 **3**8 Total, **5**720 38

The present incumbent entered upon his duties as Rector of this church, on the Sunday next before Easter; previously to this date, he was engaged for several months to supply the place of the Rector preceding him, who on account of ill health was obliged to suspend his labors, and much to the regret of an attached and faithful congregation, finally to resign his charge.

Trinity Church, Utica; the Rev. PIERRE ALEXIS PROAL, D.D., Rector.

Congregation: Families 150; baptisms: (infants) 15; communicants: (admitted 8, received 13:) total added 21; died 2; removed 17; present number 146; marriages 9; burials 17; public services: on Sundays 130, on other days 37: total number of services 167; children catechized by the Rector every Sunday in the Sunday school; Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 6, female 11:) total 17; pupils: (male-25, female 76; total 101.

The monthly collections required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz.:

For	r Diocesan Missions,	<b>868 7</b> 5
. 64	" Education,	6 40
46	Expenses of the Convention,	4 38
46	Tracts,	7 57
44	Rent of Bishop's house,	4 91
46	General Fund for Church objects,	8 55
44	Christmas Fund,	45 78
The for	ollowing sums have also been collected for other objects, we the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church	ris:
	in the United States: Domestic Missions,	47 95
44	Prairieville Mission,	27 00
46	Foreign Missions,	4 69
14.	Parochial objects,	781 00
44	Parochial Sunday school in monthly collections,	46 22

The interior and exterior of the church edifice have both been thoroughly repaired and painted this summer; and its appearance and convenience thus materially improved.

Total,

The attendance upon the stated services continues numerous and attentive. During the past winter, a course of Bible class instruction was attended in the-Chapel, by about 200 persons on Sunday evenings; and we have good reason to hope that the congregation advancing in sound knowledge and practical piety.

Grace Church, Waterville; the Rev. Fortune C. Brown, Missionary.

Congregation: Families about 40; baptisms: adults 4, infants 7: total 11; confirmed 6; communicants: (admitted 6, received 4:) total added 10; removed. 4; present (number 51; marriages 2; burials 3; public services: on Sundays 108, on other days 20; total number of services 128; children catechized 20 times; Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 3, female 5;) total 8; pupils 30.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appro-: prieted as follows, viz :-

For	Diocesa A Bible	n Missions and Praye	r Bo	ok fo	r the	Des	k,	-	•	-	<b>\$9 00</b> 8 25
-	Tracts,	• •	•	-	•	•	•	•	•	•	1 00
The fo	flowing s	ums have	also	been	coll	ecte	d for o	other	object	is, Vii	<b>5</b> :
Fer	Domesti	c Mission. Missions	8,	•	•	•	•	•	-	-	3 00 50
: 44	Parochie	Missions, l objects,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	300 00
								T	ntal_		<b>\$321</b> 75

The Missionary has given one-half of his time to this parish. During his sheenes the services have been kept up by lay reading and by the assistance of the Rev. Mr. Burgess. The church was opened for public worship, weekly during Lent, on Ash-Wednesday, Good Friday, and Ascension Day.

#### ONONDAGA COUNTY.

Grace Church, Baldwinsville; the Rev. SAMUEL GOODALE, Missionary.

I have officiated in this parish nine times, and attended one funeral, and this con-

stitutes all of my ministerial labors.

There are but very few families attached to the church, (about ten.) though my services have always been well attended, the Presbyterians kindly allowing us the use of their house of worship.

Trinity Church, Fayetteville; the Rev. WM. W. HICKOX, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 21: (adults 58, children 44:) total number of Individuals 102; baptisms: infants 5; communicants: (received); added 2; removed 11; present number 30; public services: on Sundays 50, on other days 10: total number of services 60; Sunday school 1; teachers 5; pupils 20; catechized occasionally on Sundays and other days, but owing to an appointment the same day, sometimes six and sometimes eleven miles distant, it has had but little attention.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows: viz:

For Diocesan Missions, Christmas Fund,	•	•	•	•	•		•	
						Tota	1,	<b>\$16</b> 69

This parish has suffered exceedingly the past year from removals and other terted itself even beyond its means to sustain the se church. During Lent the church has been open one evening for a lecture and every Friday morning for prayers.

Apostolic Church, Geddes; the Rev. SANUEL GOODALE, Missionary.

I have attended thirteen services in this parish, and this is the whole amount of my ministerial labors here. The prospects of the church seem in no way encourage ing. The number of families and communicants are about the same as reported last year.

### St. Mark's Church, Jamesville.

## [There is no report from this Parish.]

#### Christ Church Jordan.

The report of this parish is included in that of St. Paul's church, Montésuma, Cayuga county.

Ascension Church, Liverpool; the Rev. SAMUEL GOODALE, Rector.

Congregation: Families 20; (adults 70, children 30:) total number of individuals 100; baptisms: (adult 1, infants 3:) total 4; communicants: (admitted 2, received 2:) total added 4; died 2; removed 2; present number 22; marriage 1; burials 5; public services: on Sundays 67, on other days 11: total number of services 78; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 4, female 6:) total 10; pupils, (male 15, female 20:) total 35.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz.:

					•	rotal.		993 00
For Parochial objects,	-		-		•	•	•	90' 00
For Diocesan Missions, The following sum has also	been co	- lléct	ed. vi	• %. :	•	•	•	<b>\$3</b> 00

This parish still remains in a depressed condition. A partial revival of business has, however, somewhat revived our hopes for the future. We trust that in the good providence of God, this feeble church will still live and prosper.

## Christ Church, Manlius; the Rev. SETH DAVIS Rector.

Congregation: Families 52, (adults 160, children 100:) total number of individuals 260; beptisms: (adult 1, infants 6:) total 7; communicants: (admitted 2, received 2:) total added 4: died 1; present number 99, together with those at Cazenovia; marriages 4; burials 4; public services: on Sundays 126, on other days 20: total number of services 146; children catechized: number of children 87, number of times 11; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 6, female 12:) total 18; pupils 87.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions,	16 00
" Sunday School Union,	3 00
" Expenses of the Convention,	2 00
" Bibles and Prayer Books,	5 00
"Tracts, -	2 00
" Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	4 00
"General Fund for Church objects,	3 78
The following sums have also been collected, viz.:	
For the Theological Seminary,  The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal	3 00
church in the United States: Domestic Missions,	10 00
" Foreign Mussions,	10 00
Contributions from the children to the Sunday School cause,	1 00
Christmas Fund,	15 00
To Moravia Church,	13 28
Total.	265 03

Out of the parish, I have rendered the following services: at Jamesville, for the last two months, I have held a third service; at Pompey Hill I have preached once; and at Cazenovia once.

# St. John's Church, Marcellus; the Rev. Thomas J. Ruger, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 43; (adults 130, children 92:) total number of individuals 232; baptism: (infant) 1; communicants: (admitted 4, received 2:) total added 6; removed 1; present number 38; marriages 6; burials 6; public services: en Sundays 119, en other days 11: total number of services 130; children catechised: number of children 56, the whole number attached to the Sunday school, which the Missionary regularly attends; and besides a class of catechumens consisting of twelve young persons; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 5, female 4:) total 9; pupils, (male 34, female 32:) total 56.

The monthly collections made, have been appropriated as follows: viz:

For Diocesan Missions, Christmas Fund,	-	•	-	-		-	<b>\$</b> 5 00 <b>2 33</b>
					Tet	al,	<b>\$7 32</b>

# Zion Church, Onondaga.

# [Report made by the Warden.]

We have had no services by Episcopal clergymen in our church since the date

of the last report.

The affairs of the church remain the same as hut year; there being no present prospect of its being opened again for our services; the members principally attending the church in Syracuse.

# Christ's Church, Pompey; the Rev. W. W. HICKOX, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 25; (adults 75, children 80:) total number of individuals 25; baptisms: (adult 1, children 2:) total 3; communicants: (received) added 1; died 2; present number 20; burials 2; marriage 1; Sunday school, none; public services : on Sundays 45, on other days 2: total number of services 47.

Collections	for	Diocesan Missions, Christmes Fund for d	- isabled	- Clen	- gymén,		<b>\$2</b> 00' <b>\$</b> 00'
					Tot	al,	\$4 00

This report includes some few services rendered at Pompey Hill, where I new efficiate once in two weeks regularly, to good and attentive congregations.

# St. James' Church, Skaneateles; the Rev. J. T. CLARK, Rector.

Congregation: Families 45; (adults 158, children 68:) total number of individuals 126: baptisms: (adults 6, infants 6:) total 12; confirmed 6; communicants: (admitted) added 19; removed 13; present number 83; marriages 3; burials 9; public services: our Sundays 104, on other days 20:) total number of services 124; children catechised on communion Sundays in summer; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 2, female 11:) total 13; pupils, (mule 26, female 51:) total 87.

Collections have been made monthly, amounting to five or six dollars each; bus

the Treasurer being absent in England, I cannot tell how appropriated.

The following sums have been appropriated:

44	Expenses of the Convention, Parochial objects: for Sunday	echool,	-		-	<b>\$</b> 5 00 6 16
4	Christmas Fund,	- • •	-	-	•	15 00 <b>25 50</b>
				Total	i.	<b>2</b> 51 66

# St. Paul's Church, Syracuse; the Rev. HENRY GREGORY, Rector.

Congregation: Families 95; (adults 300, children 170:) total number of individaals 470; Baptisme: (adults 4, infants 21:) total 25; confirmed 8; communicants: (admitted 7, received 17:) total added 24; died 8; removed 14; present number 103; snarriages 6; burials 14; public services: on Sundays 110, on other days 34; total snumber of services 144; children catechised; number of children 80; number of times 12; Sunday echool 1; teachers, (male 5, female 7:) total 12; pupils, (male 40, female 48:) total 88.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz.:

For	Diocesan Missions,	•	•	-	•	•	_	-	<b>\$</b> 53	53
**	" Education,	•	-		•	•	•	-	4	00
4	Expenses of the Conven	tion,	•	-	-	-	•	•	9	00
64	Bibles and Prayer Book	B	•		-		-	•	5	00
64	Tracts,	•	<b>=</b>	•	•	-	•	•	3	48
The fo	lowing sums have also b	00IJ (	olle:	cted	for o	ther	objec	te, vi	<b>S</b> :	
For	the Theological Seminar	ry.	-	•	•	•	•	•	<b>\$</b> 9	13
66	The Board of Mission	s of	the	Pro	testa	nt E	pisco	pel	_	
	church in the United 8	State	ı: D	ome	stic I	منعمنا	ns,	•	22	63
64.	Foreign Missions, -	-	•	,	•	•	• '	-	4	00
44	Ordinary Parochial object	cts.	•	•	•	•	•	•	331	77
66	Lamps, (by the Ladies,)	-	•		•	_ ,	•	•	116	
*	Aid to feeble Parishes,			-	-	-	•	-	33	
84	Charitable purposes, -	•	•		•		•	•	102	11
44	In full for the erection of	the s	aew (	chur	ch ed	ifice.	-	-	1463	
.44	Christmas Fund for disal	lod (	Clerg	<b>J</b> m	on,		•		22	-
	-					To	tai.		2179	26

The congregation is apparently advancing in steadfastness and piety, as well as in numbers. The special seasons of the Christian year have received an increase of attention, and with good results. More interest is taken in the diligent instruction of the children. A Wednesday evening Lecture is given on the Scriptures, in course. For the good measure of peace and quietness vouchsafed us, and for all the tokens of good received during the past year, we are truly thankful.

## ONTARIO COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Canandaigua; the Rev. A. P. PREVOST, Rector.

Congregation: Families 50; (adults 175, children 100:) total number of individuals 275; five families (making 25 persons in all) have removed during the past year; beptisms: infants 12: confirmed 14; communicants: (admitted 13, received 5:) total added 18; died 2; removed 8; present number 101; marriages 6; burials 6; public services: on Sundays 98, on other days 25: total number of services 123; children catechised: number of children 25 or 30; number of times, generally every Sunday after the evening service; Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 5, female 6:) total 11; number of pupils about 60.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For General Fund for Church objects,	- • •	<b>9</b> 27 24
	• •	43 50
"Objects within the Diocese,		14 68
44 Rent of the Bishop's house	• •	10 00
"Tracts from S. S. scholars,		2 46
" P. E. S. School Union from same,	•	1 30
The following sums have also been collected for oth	er objects, v	riz:
For Christmas Fund,		22.00
M Perochial objects,	• •	278 23
	Total.	2399 41

By God's blessing, the parish continues united and prosperous.

Trinity Church, Centrefield; the Rev. TAPPING REEVE CHIPMAN, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 17; (adults 47, children 38:) total number of individuals 85; baptisms: infants 2; confirmed 1; communicants: (admitted) added 1; removed 1; present number 30; burial 1; public services: on Sundays 51, on other days 5: total number of services 56; Sunday school 1; pupils:(male 10, female 10:) total 20.

The monthly collections required by Canon XIV, have been made and approprinted as follows, viz.:

**8**1 37 For Tracts. The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz: For the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States: Domestic Missions, -

" Christinas Fund for disabled Clergymen, -9 42

**88** 70 Total.

The general state of this parish continues very much the same as it was at the last report. It will be observed that in a few points our statistics are incomplete.— Should the present missionary live to make another report, these defects will, it is hoped, be supplied.

Zion Church, East Bloomfield; the Rev. TAPPING REEVE CHIPMAN, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 24; (adults 56, children 61:) total number of individuals 117; baptisms: adults 7, infant 1: total 8; confirmed 17; communicants: (admitted) added 17; died 1; removed 4; present number 33; marriage 1; burials 5; public services: on Sundays 51, on other days 3; total number of services 54; Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 3, female 3:) total 6; pupils 30.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz.:

F	OP	Diocesan	Mission	)S,	-	-		₹	-	-	•	•	<b>8</b> 11	09	
(	14	44	Educat	ion,		•	•		-	•	•	•	6	15	
(	14	Expenses	of Conv	entic	m.	-		•	•	-	•	-	2	47	
(	16	Bibles an	d Praye	r Boo	ks.		-	-		-	-	•	2	67	
		Tracte,	•	-	•	-		•	•	-	•	•	4	63	
The	fol	lowing en	ms have	also	bee	n'co	lle	cted	for	othe	r obie	cts. viz	. <b>.</b>		

For the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States: Demestic Missions, 5 09 " Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, 3 58 Total.

It will be seen, upon comparing the above statistics with those of last year, that there has been but little change in regard to the number of persons connected with this parish. Yet there can be no doubt that the cause of Christ and his church has mined here during the year now closing. We see this in many things which cannot well be reported; and especially do we see it in the comparatively large number of persons, who, through the gracious operation of the Divine Spirit, have been induced to come forward to haptism and confirmation, all of whom are likewise enrolled as communicants.

Trinity Church, Geneva; the Rev. Pierre P. Irving, late Rector.

Congregation: about the same as last year; beptisms: adults 2, infants 15: total 17; communicants: (admitted 6, received 5:) total added 11; died 6; after striking from the list the deaths and removals of the year, and also those names which have been left on the register for several years, but whose residence is only partial, it leaves the present number 167; marriages 5; burials 18; public services: twice on every Sunday, a Wednesday evening service during the winter months, and the

usual full services of the Lent season; Sunday school 1; average attendance of pupils about 70.

The monthly collections have been regularly made.

The amount collected in eleven months,

The collection for the Christmas Fund, for disabled Clergymen,

The collections at the Holy Communion on nine occasions,

107 58
104 86

Total amount collected in church in eleven months, \$666 97

This report includes only the time up to July 20, 1843.

The amount collected has been smaller than in previous years, owing to the very heavy sums which have since our last report been paid by the parishioners towards the construction of their new church edifice. The same reason has rendered necessary the appropriation of a large portion of the collections to supply the immediate wants of the parish. The edifice, commenced in April, 1842, is now advancing towards completion, and in a short time it is believed that the aid of this parish will be as cheerfully as ever afforded to other portions of the church.

The Rector having been called to another sphere of labor, has felt it his duty to surrender the charge of this parish, in which for nearly seven years he had the happiness to minister to a most attached congregation, and with the interests of which it

will be very long ere he ceases to be identified.

# St. Paul's Church, Richmond; the Rev. Thomas Meacham, Rector.

Congregation: Families 26: baptisms: adult 1, infants 2: total 3; confirmed 6; communicants 30; burial 1; public services: on Sundays 102, on other days 18: total number of services 120; children catechised occasionally; Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 2, female 5:) total 7; pupils: (male 10, female 16:) total 26.

The monthly collections have been made, and the sum of about \$20 has been raised and forwarded, but I cannot specify its appropriation. Our Sunday school is in a flourishing condition, owing to the interest taken in it, by some of the young ladies. A Bible class has been established. It may be proper to state that the reason why there has been no addition; to the number of communicants is the following:—Confirmation was administered in this parish but a short time before the meeting of the Convention, and the Lord's supper not having been celebrated since, the persons who were confirmed have not had an opportunity to commune, I believe they will all come forward at the next communion.

St. John's Church, Vienna.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

#### ORLEANS COUNTY.

# St. John's Church, Medina; the Rev. P. E. Con, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 24; (adults 70, children 50:) total number of individuals 190; baptisms: adult 1, child 1: total 2; confirmed 10: communicants: (admitted 5, received 3:) total added 8; present number 47; Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 8, female 2:) total 5; pupils: (male 10; female 15:) total 25.

The present Missionary took charge of this parish on the 23d of June. Until then

it had been without a minister from the first of Sept., 1842.

#### OSWEGO COUNTY.

## Trinity Church, Constantia.

# [There is no report from this Parish.]

Zion Church, Fulton; the Rev. A. C. TREADWAY, Rector and Missionary.

The Congregation consists of about 20 families; baptisms: infants 2; communicants: (admitted) added 2; removed 1; died 2; present number 19.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions, " Christmas Offering,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•		•		•	•	_	74 50	
" Domestic Missions, " Parochial objects,			•	•	-	•	-	-	•	•	•	•	•	•	1	00 88	
											T	ote	L		876	13	

The condition of this parish is comparatively good—its state is better, in many respects, than it has been for years past. Their church is finished and consecrated; but the Vestry are relying on, as yet, unredeemed promises entirely to extricate them from indebtedness. The attendance is considerably increased since the Missionary's last report.

St. Luke's Church, Granby; the Rev. A. C. TREADWAY, Rector and Missionary.

The congregation consists of 35 families; baptisms: infants 2; communicants: (admitted) added 3; removed 1; present number 17; marriages 2; burial 1; public services 47.

The monthly collections have been appropriated to the following objects:

For	Diocesan	Missions, Missions,	_	•	_	•	_	-	_	•	_	-		•	_	•	<b>\$</b> 5	78 62
44	Christmas	Offering,	•	-	•	•	_	•	•	•	_	-	Ī	-	•	-	4	00
													<b>T</b>	n fra '	1		210	40

Divine service is equally as well attended as at the date of the last report; and the parish promises, under the blessing of the Great Head of the Church, to become large and prosperous. Occasional services have been held at other places, at Jackson-ville, Onondaga county, and Hull's Corners, Cayuga county, where the congregations are large and attentive.

# Christ Church, Oswego; the Rev. John McCarty, Rector.

Congregation: Families 70: (adults 280, children 175:) total number of individuals 455; baptisms: adults 2, infants 55: total 57; communicants: (admitted 7, received 4:) total added 11; removed 7; present number 96; marriages 11; burials 23; public services: on Sundays 102, on other days 17: total number of services 119; Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 4, female 8:) total 12; pupils: (male 30, female 50:) total 80.

The monthly collections required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz.:

For Diocesan Missions,		•	-	97 00
" Bibles and Prayer Books,	•	•	3	00
"General Fund for Church objects,	•	•		67
The following sums have also been collected for other	•	-		
For the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcope in the United States: Domestic Missions, -	d Chur	ch		
in the United States: Domestic Missions, -	•	•		00
"General Sunday School Union,	• •		_	65
General Sunday School Union, Christmas Offering for disabled Clergymen,	•	•	18	10
	Total,		\$84	68

## SENECA COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Seneca Falls; the Rev. CHARLES G. ACLY, Rector.

Congregation: Families 56; baptisms: (adults 5, infants 7:) total 12; confirmed 20; communicants: (admitted 10, received 3:) total added 13; died 1; removed 10; present number 56; marriages 2; burials 7; public services: on Sundays 104, on other days 20: total number of services 124; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 3, female 5:) total 8; number of pupils, (male 20, female 30:) total 50.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

	Diocesan Missions,		•		•		•		•		•		•		•	87	00	
44 8	Sunday school, -	-		•		-		•		-		-		-		-	57	
" (	Christmas Fund, -		•		-		•		•		•		•		•	6	00	
	Zion church, Fulton,			-		•		-		•		-		•			00	
" ]	Parochial objects, -		-		•		-		•		•		-		•	54	79	
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												T	ote	ıl.		<b>8</b> 75	36	

I have continued to preach, as heretofore, regularly on Sunday evenings, at West Cayuga, where the interest of a mixed congregation in the services of the church, does not appear to have diminished.

## St. Paul's Church, Waterloo; the Rev. Eli Wheeler, Minister.

Families, not ascertained; baptisms: (adults 11, infants 14:) total 25; confirmed 28; communicants: (admitted 20, received 7:) total added 27; removed 4; died 1; present number 86; marriages 4; burials 7; services, mostly in the church, 126; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 4, female 10:) total 14; pupils, (male 33, female 41:) total 74.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For	General Fund for Chi	urch	obj	ect	8,	-		-		•		•		-	<b>\$23</b>	66
	Christmas Fund, Parochial objects,	•		•	•	_	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	8 ( 11	
											T	ota	l.		842	<u>-</u> 85

#### STEUBEN COUNTY.

# St. Thomas' Church, Bath; the Rev. PHINEAS L. WHIPPLE, Rector.

Congregation: Families 40: (adults 120, children 90:) total number of individuals 210; baptisms: adult 1, infants 8: total 9; confirmed 16; communicants: (admitted 11, received 4:) total added 15; present number 52; marriages 6; burials 8; public services: on Sundays 103, on other days 41: total number of services 144; children éatechized: number of children 16; number of times about 38; Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 2, female 4:) total 6; pupils: (male 15, female 30:) total 45.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated.

For General Fund for Churc	ch objects,	•	-	•	•	<b>\$</b> 29	45
The following sums have also	been collected	d for o	ther o	bjec	ts :		
For the Board of Missions of in the United States:	Domestic M	issions	•	•	•		50
" Parochial objects,	• •	•	-	•	•	34	00
			7	Cotal,	)	\$66	

There has been an increase of the number of families in this parish during the last year, and also an increase of the congregation regularly attending, showing that it is in a state of prosperity deserving our thanks to God, for his blessing upon his own appointed means of grace.

# Christ Church, Corning.

# [Report made by the Warden.]

Congregation: Families 15; (adults 45, children 30:) total number of individuals 75; baptisms: adult 1, infants 5: total 6; communicants: added 1; removed 3; present number 11; public services: on Sundays occasionally, on other days three times.

No collections have been made.

St. James' Church, Hammondsport; the Rev. E. SPALDING, Missionary.

At Hammondsport, in connexion with Wayne, I have preached eight times, baptized one child, and administered the Communion to about twenty-five communicants. I have engaged to remain with this people the ensuing year, and shall, by leave of Divine Providence, remove my family among them as soon as circumstances will flow.

#### TIOGA COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church, Candor; the Rev. Lucius CARTER, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 15; children 80; baptisms: adults 2, infant 1: total 3: communicants: (admitted) added 3; present number 22; burial 1: public services: on Sundays 60, on other days 10: total number of services 70.

The monthly collections required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated,

Since Easter Sunday, I have officiated in this church three Sundays in the month.

St. Paul's Church, Owego; the Rev. A. Louderback, Mission-ary.

Congregation: Families about 30; baptisms: adult 1, infants 16: total 17; communicants: (admitted 2, received 5:) total added 7; died 2; removed 2; present number 40; burials 2; public services about 135; Sunday school 1; teachers: (male 3, female 5:) total 8.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated at follows, viz:

For	General F	und for Cl	nurch	obje	cts,	•	•	-	•	•	40	
••	Christmas	runa ior (	1188.016	M C	ergyt	den.	•	•	•	8	63	
**	Domestic	Missions,	Flint,	Mic	higan	. :	•	•	•	6	<b>63</b>	
66	Parochial	objects,	• '	•	-	•	•	•	•	68	34	
								Tot	-ī	201	00	

This parish is gradually increasing, but in common with others, feels most reensibly, the depression of the times—and the more so, as there is a debt, of some \$600 upon the building yet unpaid—which it was originally expected, would be liquidated, by Trinity Church, N. York city—such expectation being held out, at the time of building. It needs very much fostering care for a few years, when it is confidently expected, that the church will be firmly established, and be able to render to others the aid, it now so much needs itself.

# St. John's Church, Richford; the Rev. A. Louderback, Missionary.

Although the Missionary has not been able, to visit this parish, but once in the past year; yet they have not been wholly destitute of the services of the church—a Lay Reader, having been provided for them once a month. The congregation, by death and removals, has been reduced, to some 7 or 8 communicants, and the prospect of better days is gloomy. There have been, during the two years, two deaths of communicants. The Holy Communion, has been celebrated ence, and preaching seven times.

A collection of \$1 20, has been made.

## TOMPKINS COUNTY.

# Christ Church, Danby,

[There is no report from this Parish.]

# Trinity Church, Hector.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

# St. John's Church, Ithaca; the Rev. Wm. S. WALKER, Rector,

Congregation: Families 80; (adults 168, children 80:) total number of individuals 348; baptisms: (adults 6, infants 15:) total 21; confirmed 12; communicants: (admitted 15, received 7:) total added 22: died 1; removed 2; present number 57: marriages 5; burials 6; public services: on Sundays 110, on other days 23: total number of services 133; children catechised: number of children 55; number of times, once a month; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 3, female 12:) total 15; pupils, (male 20, female 35:) tetal 55.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions,	-	-	•	•	•	•	•	<b>8</b> 9	26
Expenses of the Conver	ntion		•	•	•	•	•		81
" Disabled Clergymen,	-	•	•	•		-	•	8	95
Disabled Clergymen, Rent of Bishop's house,	, ,	•	•	•		•	•	5	95
The following sums have also be for the Board of Missions in the United States:	fthe	Prot	ester	t Eni	econa <sup>†</sup>			_	00
4 Passign Missions			-		٠,	_	_		00
" Foreign Missions, "Parochial objects, -	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	190	
•					T	otal,		<b>0</b> 161	28

The above report extends from the beginning of November, 1842, to the middle of August, 1843, a period of nine months and a half. During the past year, the

church has been modernized and frepaired at an expense of upwards of \$1,200, of which there remained due about \$650 when I took charge of the parish. By the sale of pews and by subscriptions, this balance has been paid off, with the exception of about \$200, which will be liquidated by the pew rents of the present year.

In reference to spiritual, as well as temporal things, we may say, that "hitherto

the Lord bath helped us."

# Zion Church, McLean; the Rev. Erastus B. Foote, Rector.

Congregation: Families 15; (adults 34, children 15:) total number of individuals 49; baptisms: (adults 4, infant 1:) total 5; communicants: (admitted) added 1; present number 21; marriages 2; burial 1; public services: on Sundays 60, on other days 2: total number of services 62; children catechised: number of children 10; number of times 6.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made, and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions		-	•	•	\$3 40
"Bibles and Prayer Books, The following sum has also been collected	-i	•	•	•	2 75
For Fund for disabled Clergymen,		-	•	•	2 44
1			Tota	ıl.	<b>8</b> 7 19

The present Rector of this parish took charge of it, in connection with that of Homer, one third of the time, from the 21st of August, 1842, to the 23d of April of the present year; since which time he has had charge of this parish solely.

### WAYNE COUNTY.

# St. John's Church, Clyde; the Rev. LEVI H. Conson, Rector.

Congregation: Pamilies 31; (adults 70, children 73:) total number of individuals 143; baptisms: (adults 3, infants 2:) total 5; confirmed 11, including one cofirmed at Skancateles; communicants: (admitted 12, received 4:) total added 16: died 1; removed 1; present number 31; marriages 3; burials 3; public services: on Sundays 100, on other days 15: total number of services 115; children catechised: number of children 40; number of times, once a month; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 4, female 4:) total 8; pupils, (male 16, female 24:) total 40.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz.:

For Diocesan Missions, -	-	-	-	-	•	•	•	\$4 28
The following sums have also	been	col	lected	for	other	object	ls, vis.	. :
For Parochial objects,			-					18 24
" Christmas Fund,	•	-	•	•	•	•	•	6 00
						Total.	_	208 30

# Grace Church, Lyons; the Rev. S. Cooke, Rector.

Congregation: Families 65; total number of individuals 250; beptisms: (adults 6, infants 28:) total 34; confirmed 18; communicants: (admitted 25, received 8:) total added 27; removed 5; present number 84; marriages 3; burials 10; public services: on Sundays 94, on other days 40: total number of services 134; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 7, female 7:) total 14; pupils; (male 30, female 40:) total 70.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz.:

For Diocesan Missions, '	<b>\$20 00</b> °
" Education,	2 00
" Expenses of the Convention,	2 00
" Bibles and Prayer Books,	5 00
"Tracts,	1 00
"Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	2 00
"General Fund for Church objects,	2 00
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, vi	<b>%</b> :
For the Theological Seminary,	\$1.50
" Disabled Clergymen,	13 50
" Domestic Missions,	5 00
"Foreign Missions,	9 44
Total dissipate	2 00
. " Parochial objects,	75 00

# Zion Church, Palmyra; the Rev. John W. CLARK, Rector.

Congregation: Families 57; (adults 154, children 99:) total number of individuals 253; baptisms: (adults 4, infants 2:) total 6; confirmed 2; communicants: (admitted 9, received 2:) total added 12; removed 2; present number 50; marriage 1; burials 5; public services: on Sundays 106, on other days 28: total number of services 134; children catechised: number of children 20; number of times 3; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 7, female 6:) total 13; pupils: (male 25, female 35:) total 60.

The monthly collections, required by Canen XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz.:

For General Fund for Church objects,

The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:

For Christmas Fund,

The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal
Church in the United States: Domestic Missions,

Parochial objects,

Total,

Total,

St. John's Church, Sodus.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

#### WYOMING COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Sheldon.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. Clement's Church, Weathersfield Springs; the Rev. Thomas Meacham, Missionary.

I continue to devote every fourth Sunday to this parish; seven persons have been confirmed. The contributions are as follows:

For Christmas Fund, - - - - - - - - - - - 83 50 Church objects, - - - - - - - 8 00

I have preached once at Warsaw; I have also baptized one infant in the vicinity.

### YATES COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church, Penn Yan; the Rev. BENJAMIN W. STONE, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 45; (adults 160, children 40:) total number of individuals 200; baptisms: (adults 3, infants 2:) total 5; confirmed 4; communicants: (admitted 5, received 5:) total added 10; removed 6; present number 67; marriages 4; burials 3; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 5, female 4:) total 9; pupils 40.

Monthly collections have been made, amounting te - - \$85 00 For Christmas Offering, - - - - - 18 00 Collected for Parochial objects, - - - - - - 150 00

Total, \$253 00

Under the directions of the Wardens and Vestry, the monthly collections have been applied for defraying the incidental expenses of the church, the Organist's and Sexton's salaries, &c. A debt of one hundred and twenty-six dollars, being a balance due on the Organ, has been paid by two individuals of the congregation.

The Bishop has received reports from the following Clergymen of the Diocese, not having Parochial Cures, viz:

From Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D., Professor, &c. &c. &c.

- BENJAMIN HALE, D. D., residing at Geneva, President of Geneva
  College.
- " N. B. Bungess, residing at Bridgewater.
- " Amos S. Baldwin, residing at Auburn.
- " Lucius Smith, residing at Fredoria.
- " J. D. GILBERT, residing at Painted Post.
- " GEORGE H. NORTON, residing at Allen's Hill.
- " JOHN F. ERNST, Deacon, residing at Batavia.
- " JAMES KEELER, residing at Harpersville.
- " DAVID HUNTINGTON, residing at Harpersville.
- " GERSHOM P. WALDO, Deacon, residing near Perry.
- " " EDWARD DE ZENG, Deacon, residing at Skaneateles.
- " JAMES SUNDERLAND, residing in Utica.
- " JOHN BAYLEY, residing at Walton.

## SUPPLE MENT.

The following reports (excepting that of Zion church, Bridgeport, which was mislaid) did not come to hand in season to be inserted in their proper place.

## CHAUTAUQUE COUNTY.

St. James' Church, La Grange; a newly organized parish, not yet in union with the Convention. The Rev. ROBERT CAMPBELL, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 21; (adults 45, children 64:) total number of individuals 109; baptisms: adults 3; confirmed 9; communicants: (admitted 6, received 2:) total added 8; removed 2; present number 11; marriage 1; burials 4; public services: on Sundays 92, on other days 8; total number of services 100.

The above report includes in it my services (half the time) in La Grange since the first Sunday in September, 1841, up to the present time. I entered on my duties here, under rather dicouraging circumstances; there being but three Episcopalians to listen to and join in the services, one of which removed from this place the day following. Heaven has blessed our feeble efforts to disseminate truth beyond the most sanguine expectations, and against opposition deliberate and determined.

Besides the above services, I have officiated one Sunday for the Rev. L. Smith, in Fredonia; and three times in Forrestville, previous to the relinquishment of his charge of these parishes, on account of his feeble health. Since the resignation of Mr. Smith, I have officiated in Forrestville every second Sunday, and have to report the state of the parish the same as reported last by my Rev. predecessor; there were three dollars collected there sometime ago and forwarded to the Treasurer for Diocesan Missions.

Since the 23d of April last, I have given my services alternately to La Grange, Silver Creek and Forrestville, I would state also, that on the 28th of July last, I visited a few families of Episcopalians who reside in Collins, Erie county, preached on the evening of the same day and baptized a child; the next day I married a couple.

#### JEFFERSON COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Brownville; the Rev. FERDINAND ROGERS, Rector.

Congregation: Families 48; (adults 100, children 50:) total number of individuals 150; baptisms. adult 1, infants 5; total 6; confirmed 3; communicants: (admitted 3, received 3:) total added 6; died 1; removed 1; present number 32; marriages 3; burials 6; public services: on Sundays 54; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 1, female 5:) total 6; pupils 45.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz.:

For Diocesan Missions,
"Christmas Fund,
Total,
Total,

During the present year the Vestry have secured the purchase of a Parsonage, for which, in connexion with repairs, they have expended between six and seven hundred dollars.

# All Saints' Church, Dexter; the Rev. FERDINAND ROGERS, Missionary.

Congregation: Families 35; total number of individuals 150; baptisms: (adult 1, infant 1:) total 2; communicants: (admitted 2, received 1:) total added 3; present number 20; marriages 3; burial 1; public services: on Sundays 52; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 4, female 3:) total 7; pupils, (male 20, female 23:) total 43

Hitherto, from the feeble condition of this station, the necessary collections have not been made; but the effort will be attempted during the ensuing year to gather something for Canonical objects.

Trinity Church, Watertown; the Rev. John F. Fish, Rector.

Baptisms: (adults 4, infants 20:) total 24; communicants: added 26; marriages 11; burials 8; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 8, female 13:) total 21.

The following sums have been collected:

For the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal church in the United States: Domestic Missions, - \$10 00 Christmas Fund, - - - - - - 15 09

Total 025 00

Total.

**82**1 00

#### LEWIS COUNTY.

# Trinity Church, Lowville. (Vacant Parish.)

# [Additional Report by the Vestry.]

Congregation: Families 10; (adults 40, children 12:) total number of individuals 59; baptisms: J(adults 5, infants 5:) total 10; communicants: present number 9; enarriage 1; public services: on Sundays 7, on other days 5: total number of services 12; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 2, female 4:) total 6; pupils, (male 22, female 10:) total 32.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

led as follows! Ars:			
For Diocesan, Missions,	<b>\$</b> 1	00	)
" "Education,	1	00	
" Expenses of the Convention, '-	1	00	
" Bibles and Prayer Books,	Ī	00	)
" Tracts,	ī	00	
" Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	i	OC	
"General Fund for Church objects,	ī	Œ	=
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:			
For the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church			
in the United States: Domestic Missions	2	00	)
" Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen	2	00	)
Sanday School offering for Christmas Fund.	Ĭ	90	
For Parochial objects,	10	00	)
			-

An "upper room" has been fitted up, where Lay reading has been held for the shree months past, and the attendance upon these services is truly cheering to the friends of the church here. The Vestry have made arrangements to procure the services of a dergyman as soon as one offers to our destitute parish.

### MADISON COUNTY.

Zion Church, Bridgeport; (a newly organized Parish, not yet in union with the Convention;) the Rev. W. W. Hickox, Missionary.

Families 30; (adults 100, children 120:) total number of individuals 220; baptisms: adults 2; communicants: (admitted) added 1; present number 8; marriages 3; burial 1; public services: on Sundays 23, on other days 6: total number of services 29.

The Sunday school numbers over 100 pupils, and is composed of, and taught by, all denominations, and not strictly under my care. It is sustained with a praise worthy zeal by the Superintendent and teachers; among whom there is no other feeling but kindness towards the church.

There is no house of worship of any name within five miles of this village. More than \$1,000 were subscribed last winter for this purpose, besides the purchase of a site; and though the times have retarded the execution of the plans of this people, in commencing its erection, yet I trust the time is not far distant when this good beginning will be carried on to perfection.

St. Stephen's Church, Perryville; the Rev. Wm. M. WEBER, M. D., Missionary.

Congregation: Families 18; (adults 32, children 30:) total number of individuals 53; baptisms: infants 4; communicants: about 25; burials 2, one in the town of Eaton, and one in the town of Smithfield.

Not anything of special interest has occurred since the last Convention. I have continued to officiate in the parish in the manner pursued during the former year; although my regular services have been somewhat interrupted, on account of ill health, and the impassable state of the road, which frequently occurs during the winter, between Perryville and Peterboro', the latter being my place of residence. I trust the spiritual interests of the parish have not declined.

## MONROE COUNTY.

St. Luke's Church, Rochester; the Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., Rector.

Beptisms: (adults 2, infants 103:) total 105; confirmed 27; communicants: added 42; died 3; removed 20; present number 426; marriages 18; burials 24; public services: on Sundays 110, on other days 58: total number of services 168; Sunday echools: number of schools 2; teachers, (male 22, female 26:) total 48; pupils, (male 157, female 168:) total 225.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz.:

For	Diocesan Missions, llowing sums have also	- beer	- n coll	- ected	I for c	- ther	objec	ts, v	<b>₽</b> 166 <b>z</b> :	50
	the Theological Semin								<b>\$30</b>	00
	The Board of Missio	•								
	church in the United	Stat	tes : ]	Dome	etic l	Missio	ns,	•	192	50
4	Foreign Missions,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	237	<b>50</b>
96	Parochial objects.	•	•	•	•	-	-	•	327	
44	Parochial objects, Other Church objects,	•	•	•	•	-	-	•	693	83
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Total, \$1647 33

The church is always used for the Wednesday evening lectures; and the progress of the course has this year included the Book of Zechariah, Malachi and part of Ezekiel.

The Lent course had for its title, "THE INNER HOUSE," and was designed to embrace the principal topics of Christian morals. It was divided into twenty-five lectures. No material change, known to the Rector, has occurred in the size of the congregation, nor in anything affecting the prosperity which it has pleased God so uniformly to bestow upon it.

# APPENDIX.

## No. II.

# MISSIONARY APPOINTMENTS FOR WESTERN NEW YORK.

# AUGUST, 1843.

# [With the amounts due October 1st, 1843, and January 1st 1844.]

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	adjace	entRev	Henry S. Attwater.	31	25	15	63
Breome .	Harpersv	ville and Wind-		1			
	sor		A. Griswold	15	63	15	63
Cattaraug	us Ellicottvi	ille* and Olean*Rev.	Thomas Morris	31	25	31	25
		and parts ad-	,				
	jacent.		B. Northrop,	31	25	15	63
40		ma* and Jordan,	•				
	Ononde	aga co.,Rev.	Isaac Swart	31	25	15	63
Chemung		es*,Havana and			•		
•	Jeffers	onRev	M. A. Nickerson,	31	25	15	63
Chenango		and Mount Up-			ı		
_	ton.,.		R. F. Burnham	31	25	21	25
44	Norwich		D. M. Fackler	7	81		
44			Liberty A. Barrows				
Chantenq	te Fredonia	*	R. M. White	7	81	18	RR
46	Forrestvi	lle, La Grange					
			Robert Campbell.	31	25	21	oĸ.
46	Mayville	and parts ad.				01	20
			Humphray Hollie.	31	26	1 K	<b>£</b> 2
•€		f and parts ad-				10	
	jacent.		C. B. Stout	15	68		
Erie		urora and Shel-		•••			
	don, W	joming coRoy.			_	81	-25
Penesee	Stafford,		Stephen C. Millett	21	25	21	23
Jefferson.	"Backett's	Harbor Rev.	Dr. Judd.,	15	82	1K	63
46	Cape Vin	centRev.	N. Watkins	81	25	31	25
46	Dexter*		F. Rogers	31 9	25	18	R2
•	Pierrepon	t ManorRev.	J. M. Bartlett	21	25	21	9K
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Boonville, Oneida co., Rev.	Ì	
MadisonPerryvillet and parts ad-	l	
jacent	15 63	
Monroe Brockport*, Clarkson &		
Kendall	31 25	15 <b>63</b>
Moneoye Falls* & parts		
adjacentRev. Henry Lockwood.	31 25	15 63
NiagaraLewiston* and parts ad-	ı	
jacent	15 63	15 63
Oneida Waterville and Bridge-		
water	31 25	31 25
" Romet and Oneida De-		
pot	15 63	15 63
" Oriskany† and Hamp-	4- 4-	
ton		
Holland PatentRev. Marcus A. Perry.	15 63	10 65
" Camden and parts adja- cent	31 95	31 95
Onondaga Fayetteville, Pompey &	01 20	01 20
Bridge port Rev. Wm. W. Hickox	31 25	15 63
" Marcellus" Rev. T. J. Ruger		l .
" Liverpool, Geddes and		
Baldwinsville Rev. Samuel Goodale	31 25	31 25
OntarioCentrefield and East		
BloomfieldRev. T. R. Chipman	15 63	15 <b>63</b>
Vienna* and parts adja-		
cent		
Orleans Medina† and Royalton*. Rev. P. E. Coe	15 63	15 63
OswegoGranby and FultonRev. A. C. Treadway	31 25	31 25
Steuben Hammondsport* & parts		
adjacent	15 63	15 63
" Corning and parts adja-		
cent		12.00
TiogaOwegot and Richford. Rev. A. Louderback	15 63	
"Factoryville"Rev.		15 63
Tompkins. South Danby and Can-	0.5	15 60
dor*	51 25	15 63
" McLean and parts adja-	15 00	15 69
cent	1	I .
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& Allen's Hill. Onta-	1	
rio co.,	31 25	31 25
Yates Penn Yant Rev. B. W. Stone	<b>3</b> 1 56	

## NOTES.

\*These parishes are half stipend parishes, whose Missionaries draw for \$15 63 quarterly.

†These parishes cease to be stipendiary after the 1st of October, 1843.

- 1. Several changes have occurred in the list of Missionaries since the Convention.
- 2. This list of Stations and Missionaries is for the year beginning Oct. 1st, 1843, and ending Oct. 1st, 1844.
- 3. For the quarterly stipends, as they shall become due, the Missionaries will draw on Charles Seymour, Esq., Treasurer, Canandaigus, Ontario Co., W. N. York.
  - 4. No drafts are paid in advance.
  - 5. No drafts are payable except for services actually rendered on the station.
- 6. The Missionary parishes are considered as peculiarly under obligation to make and forward the monthly collections regularly.

#### 7. FORM OF DRAFT ON THE TREASURER.

To CHARLES SEYMOUR, Esq., Tressurer of the Diocese of W. N. Y.,

Dear Sir,-Please to pay	A. B. the sum of ———,	being the amount due
me as Missionary at, for th	e quarter ending on the — day	of —, 184 .
	Respectfully yours,	

----, Western New York, ----, 184 .

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# APPENDIX

## No. 111

## CHURCHES ADMITTED INTO UNION AT THIS CONVENTION.

Broome c	ount	yZion Church	ch.
Cayuga	66	Montezuma St. Paul's C	hurch
Madison	4	Oneida DepotSt. John's	<b>t</b> ŗ
Oneida	<b>#</b>		44

# APPENDIX.

## No. IV.

# A LIST OF CHURCHES IN THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW YORK,

With the amounts remitted by each to the Treasurer,

## FOR CHURCH OBJECTS,

# From August 17, 1842, to August 1, 1843.

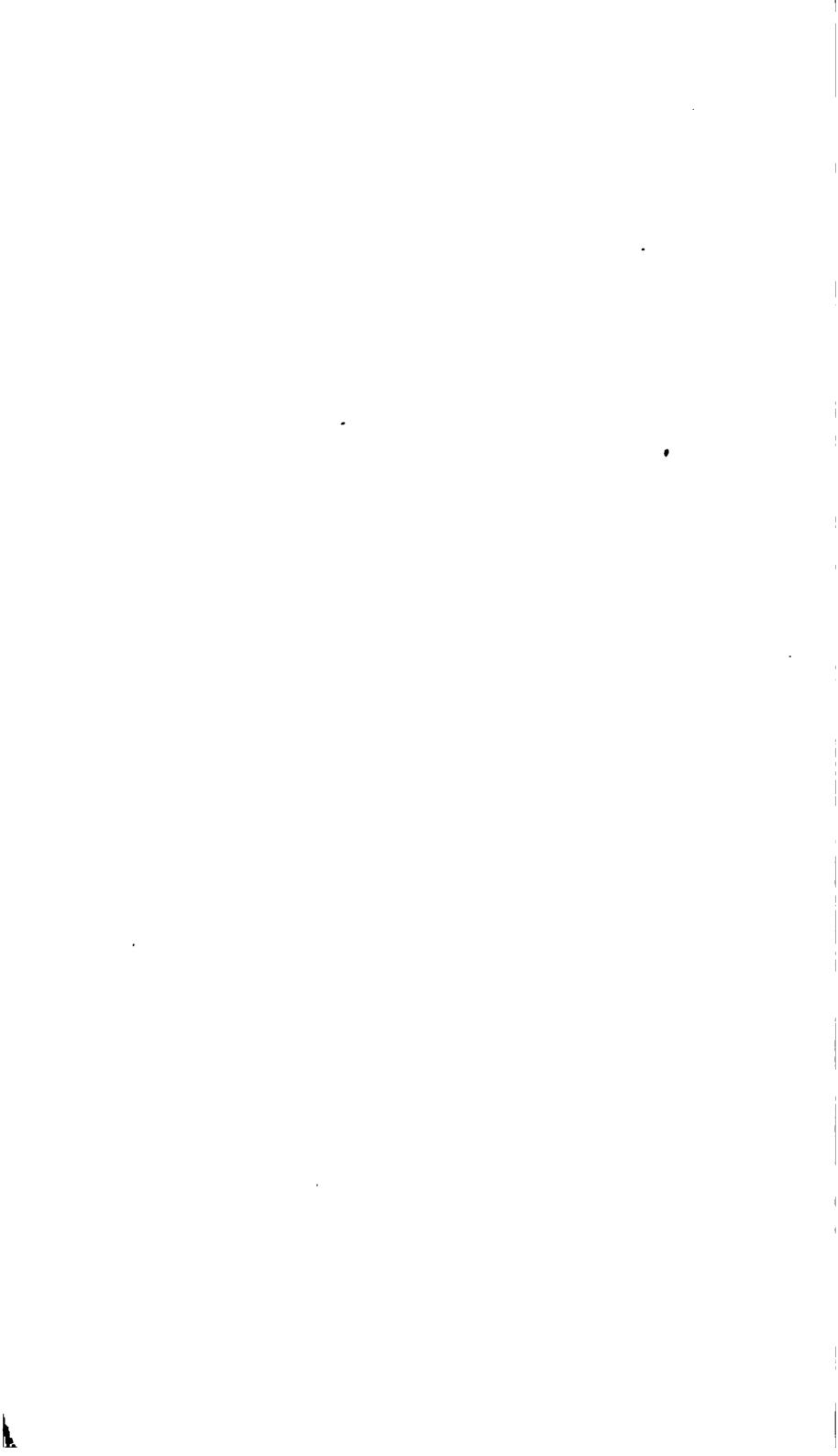
COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	PLACES.	AMOUNT.
Allegany .	.St. Paul's	.Angelica	<b>\$</b> 29 <b>59</b>
44	St. Mark's	.Hunt's Hollow	
Broome			41 00
46			16 37
44			[No remittance.
Cattaraugu		.Ellicottville	
4	St. Stephen's	.Olean	[No remittance.
Cavuga	.St. Peter's	.Auburn	49 00
ű.	St. Paul's	.Aurora	[No remittance]
44	St. Matthew's	. Moravia	No remittance.
64	St. Paul's		No remittance.

COUNTRES.	CHURCHES.	PLACES.	AMOUNT.
Chautaugu	eSt. Peter's	.Forrestville	[No remittance. 5 00
4	Trinity	.Fredonia	5 00
er	St. Luke's	.Jamestown	[No remittance.
44	St. Paul's	.Mayville	6 50
64	St. Peter's	.Westfield	23 50
Chemung.	.St. Paul's	.Bigflats	[No remittance.
4	St. John's	.Catharines	[No remittance. 6 00
•	Trinity	.Elmira	20 00
. 46	St. James'	.Jefferson	[No remittance.
66	St. John's	.Johnson's settlen	nent No remittance.
Chenango.	.St. Peter's	.Bainbridge	20 73
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64	Grace	Mount Upton	[No remittance.
60	St. Andrew's	New Berlin	22 00
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Cortland	.Calvary	Homer	[No remittance. [No remittance.
Erie	.St. Paul's	. Auroraville	[No remittance.
	Grace	Black Rock	[No remittance.
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u	Trinity	••_ " ••••••	172 50
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Jeffetson	St. Paul's	. Brownville	[No remittance.
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ñ		Mount Morris	
æ		West Avon	
Madison			No remittance.
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•	St. Stephen's	Perryville	2 00
Monroe	St. Luke's	. Brockport	No remittance.
4			9 00
₩ .	Trinity	Penfield	[No remittance.
46	St. Luke's	Rochester	150 50
46	Grace		111 61

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	PLACES.	AMOUNT.
Niagara		PLACES. Lewiston	
66	Christ	Lockport	[No remittance.
66	Grace	4"	78 00
44	St. Luke's	Royalton	[No remittance.
Oneida		Bridgewater	
64		Camden	
44	St. Paul's	Holland Patent	No remittance.
66	St. Stephen's	New Hartford	19 00
60	St. Peter's	Oriskany	[No remittance.
4	St. Paul's	Paris Hill	10 00
46		Rome	
c4		Utica	
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<b>ct</b>	Grace	Waterville	18 50
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Onondaga		Baldwinsville	
u	Trinity	Fayetteville	No remittance.
66		Geddes	
4	St. Mark's	Jamesville	[No remittance.
66	Christ	Jordan	3 64
44		Liverpool	
44		Manlius	
44		Marcellus	
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46	Christ.	Onondaga Pompey	INo remittance
ci	St James'	Skaneateles	[No remittence
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		Waterloo	
		Bath	
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<b>4</b>		Hammondsport	
Tioga	.St. Mark's	Candor	5 00
<b>66</b>	St. John's	Richford Owego	[No remittance.
46	St. Paul's	Uwego	4 58

## LIST OF CHURCHES.

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	PLACES.	AMOUNT.
		.Danby	1 60
č.	Trinity		No remittance.
66		.Ithaca	15 20
66		.McLean	
Wayne	_	.Clyde	
		Lyons	
CE		.Palmyra	
66		.Sodus	
Wyoming.		.Weathersfield Sp'	
"	St. John's	.Sheldon	No remittance.
Yates	_	Penn Yan	No remittance.
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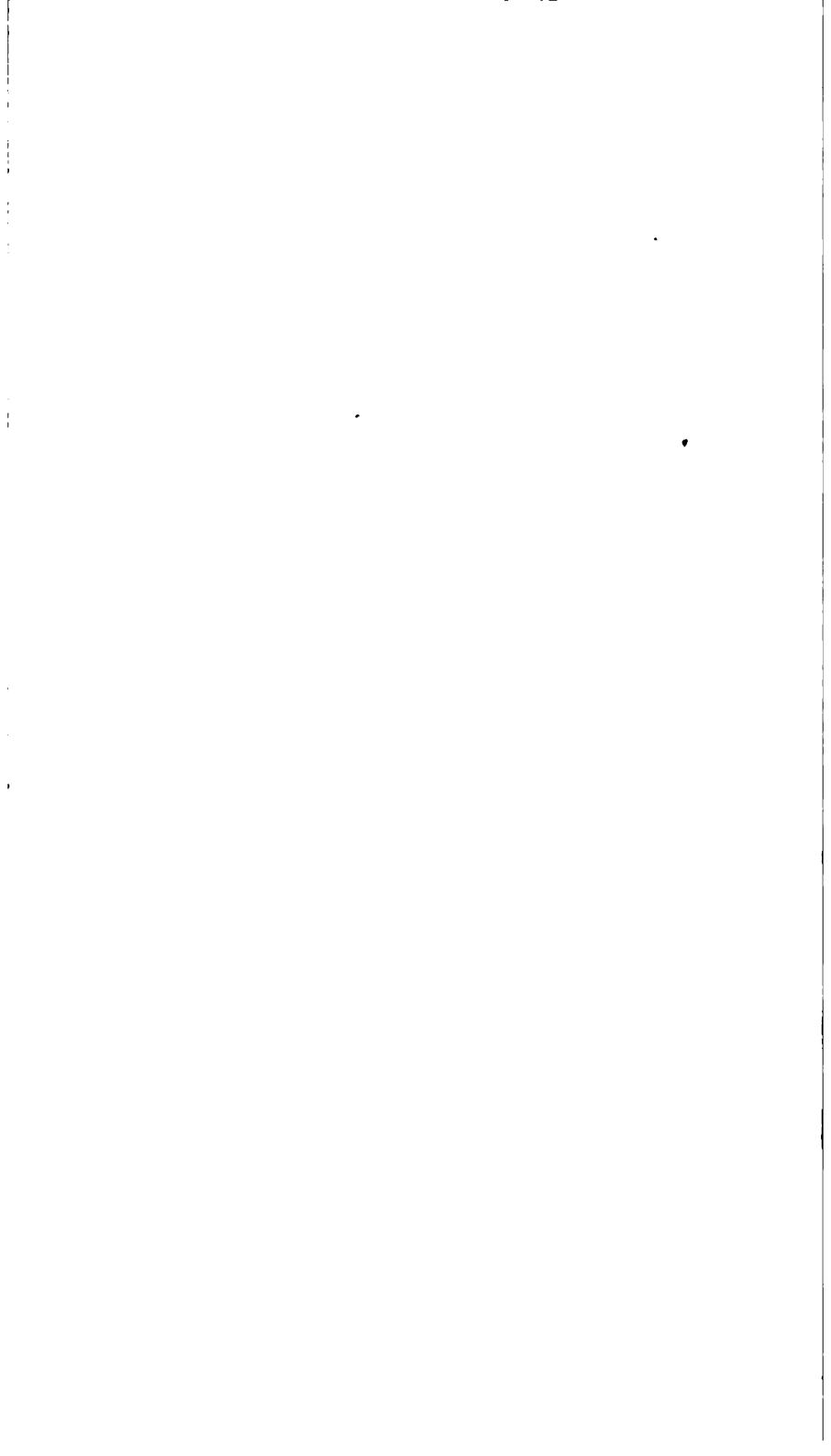
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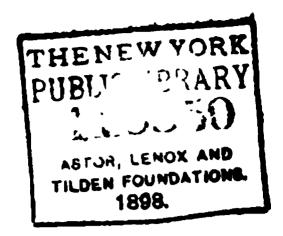
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# FORM OF THE CERTIFICATE TO BE GIVEN TO LAY DEPUTIES.

IT IS H	EREBY CERTIF	IED, That at	a meetii	ng of the	Vestry of
	Church, in	in the cou	anty of		, held
on the	day of	184	, <b>M</b> r.		
was duly elect	ed a Lay-Deputy to	the Convention	of the	Protestant	Episcopal
Church in the Diocese of Western New-York, to be held in					
on the	day of	nez	rt; and	that the se	id Deputy
is entitled to vote for Wardens and Vestrymen in the said Church.					
Dated the		lay of		184 .	

Rector.

Warden.

Clerk of the Vestry.

N. B. If more than one Deputy be chosen, a certificate in the above form may be given to each, or the names of all may be included in one certificate, varying the language accordingly.

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# LIST OF THE CLERGY

#### OF THE

# DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW-YORK,

## AUGUST 21, 1844.

- The Right Rev. WILLIAM HEATHOOTE DE LANCEY, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, Geneva, Ontario county.
- Rev. Charles G. Acly, Missionary at Montezuma, Cayuga, Cayuga county, and Ovid, Seneca county.
  - " Edward Andrews, D. D., residing at Binghamton, Broome county.
  - " Samuel G. Appleton, Rector of Zion Church, West Avon, Livingston county.
  - " Henry S. Attwater, residing at Nunda, Allegany county.
  - " Amos G. Baldwin, residing at Auburn.
  - " Liberty A. Barrows, Rector of Christ Church, Sherburne, Chenango county.
  - " Josiah M. Bartlett, Missionary at Pierrepont Manor, Jesserson county.
  - " Stephen H. Battin, Rector of Zion Church, Rome, and Missionary at Oneida Depot, Oneida county.
  - " John Bayley.
  - " James A. Bolles, Rector of St. James' Church, Batavia, Genesee county.
  - " Edward Bourns, Adjunct Professor of Languages, Geneva College, Geneva, Ontario county.
  - " Fortune C. Brown, Missionary at Waterville, and parts adjacent, Oneida county.
  - " Nathaniel F. Bruce, M. D., Missionary at Dansville, Livingston county.
  - " Nathan B. Burgess, residing at Bridgewater, Oneida county.
  - " Richard F. Burnham, Missionary at Guilford and Mount Upton, Chenango county.
  - " Leverett Bush, D. D., residing at Oxford, Chenango county.
  - " Robert Campbell, Missionary at La Grange, and parts adjacent, Chautauque county.
  - " Lucius Carter, Missionary at Hunt's Hollow, and parts adjacent, Allegany county.
  - " Tapping R. Chipman, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Oxford, Chenango county.
  - " John W. Clark, Rector of Zion Church, Palmyra, Wayne county.
  - " Joseph T. Clark, Rector of St. James' Church, Skaneateles, Onondaga county.

- Rev. Philemon E. Coe, Missionary at Medina, Orleans county, and Royalton, Niagara county.
  - " Samuel Cooke, Rector of Trinity Church, Geneva, Ontario county.
  - " Charles D. Cooper, Rector of St. John's Church, Mount Morris, Livingston county.
  - " Levi H. Corson, Missionary at Clyde, Wayne county.
  - " William Croswell, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Auburn, Cayuga county.
  - " Seth Davis, Rector of Christ Church, Manlius, Onondaga county.
  - " Edward De Zeng, Deacon, residing at Skaneateles, Onondaga county.
  - " Stephen Douglass, Missionary at Camden, Oneida county, and Constantia, Oswego county.
  - " William E. Eigenbrodt, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, Oneida county.
  - " Edmund Embury, Missionary at East Bloomfield, and parts adjacent, Ontario county.
  - " John F. Ernst, Deacon, residing at Batavia, Genesee county, and teaching a school.
  - " David M. Fackler, residing at Clinton, and Missionary at Bridgewater, Oneida county.
  - " John F. Fish, Rector of Trinity Church, Watertown, Jefferson county.
  - " Erastus B. Foote, Rector of Christ Church, Lockport, Niagara county.
  - "Benjamin Franklin, Deacon, Minister of Trinity Church, Seneca Falls, Seneca county.
  - " Mason Gallagher, Deacon, Missionary at Liverpool and parts adjacent, Onondaga county.
  - " Isaac Garvin, residing at Buffalo, Erie county.
  - " John D. Gilbert, residing at Painted Post, Steuben county.
  - "George D. Gillespie, Minister of St. Mark's Church, Le Roy, Genesce county.
  - " Samuel Goodale, Missionary at Homer and Cortland, Cortland county, and M'Lean, Tompkins county.
  - " Henry Gregory, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Syracuse, Onondaga county.
  - " Asa Griswold, Missionary at Harpersville and Windsor, Broome county.
  - Benjamin Hale, D. D., President of Geneva College, Geneva, Ontario county.
  - " William W. Hickox.
  - " Origen P. Holcomb, residing at Jordan, Onondaga county.
  - "Andrew Hull, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, New Berlin, Chenango county.
  - " David Huntington, residing at Harpersville, Broome county.
  - " Nathaniel Huse, residing in Chautauque county.
  - " Edward Ingersoll, Rector of Trinity Church, Buffalo.
  - " Pierre P. Irving, Secretary and General Agent of the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, residing in New York.
  - " Bethel Judd, D. D., Missionary at Sackett's Harbor, Jessesson county.
  - " James Keeler, residing at Harpersville, Broome county.
  - " Edward D. Kennicott, residing at Camden, Oneida county.
  - " George Leeds, Rector of Grace Church, Utica.
  - "Henry Lockwood, Missionary at Honeoye Falls, and parts adjacent, Monroe county.
  - " Alfred Louderback, Rector of Zion Church, Greene, Chenango county.

- Rev. John McCarty, Rector of Christ Church, Oswego, Oswego county.
  - "Thomas Meachem, Missionary at Richmond, Ontario county, and Weathers-field Springs, Genesee county.
  - " Orrin Miller, Missionary at Albion, Orleans county.
  - " Stephen C. Millett, Missionary at Stafford and parts adjacent, Genesce county.
  - " Thomas Morris, Missionary at Ellicottville and Olean, Cattaraugus county.
  - " Rufus Murray, Missionary at Lewiston and Youngstown, Niagara county.
  - " Major A. Nickerson, Missionary at Corning and parts adjacent, Steuben county.
  - " Beardsley Northrop, Missionary at Moravia and Genoa, Cayuga county.
  - " George H. Norton, residing at Richmond, Ontario county.
  - " James Jay Okill, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge, Chenango county.
  - " Henry Peck.
  - " Marcus A. Perry, Principal of Hobart Hall, and Missionary at Holland Patent, Oneida county.
  - " Thomas C. Pitkin, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Rochester.
  - " Charles H. Platt, Deacon, Missionary in Monroe county, and assisting in St. Paul's Church, Rochester.
  - "George S. Porter, teacher of a private Seminary, Buffalo.
  - " Pierre A. Proal, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Utica.
  - " Joseph Ransom, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Norwich, Chenango county.
  - " Edward A. Renouf, Deacon, Missionary at Lowville and Turin, Lewis county, and Boonville, Oneida county.
  - " John J. Robertson, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Binghamton, Broome county.
  - " Ferdinand Rogers, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Brownville, and Missionary at Dexter, Jefferson county.
  - " John C. Rudd, D. D., Professor of Moral Science, &c. in Hobart Hall, Holland Patent; and Editor of the Gospel Messenger and Church Record of Western New York, Utica.
  - " Thomas J. Ruger.
  - " Montgomery Schuyler, Rector of Grace Church, Lyons, Wayne county.
  - " William Shelton, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Buffalo.
  - " Lucius Smith, residing at Batavia, Genesee county.
  - " Erastus Spalding, Missionary at Hammondsport and Wayne, Steuben county.
  - " James O. Stokes, residing near Medina.
  - " Benjamin W. Stone, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Penn Yan, Yates county.
  - " Isaac Swart, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Paris Hill, Oneida county.
  - " Lewis Thibou, Jr., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Angelica, Allegany county.
  - " Charles J. Todd, Missionary at Brockport, Clarkson and Kendall, Monroe county.
  - " Amos C. Treadway, Missionary at Fulton and West Granby, Oswego county.
  - " Thomas P. Tyler, Missionary at Fredonia, and parts adjacent, Chautauque county.
  - " John V. Van Ingen, Assistant Minister at St. Paul's Church, Rochester, and Missionary at Penfield and Brighton, Monroe county.
  - " Washington Van Zandt, Rector of Trinky Church, Elmira, Chemung county.
  - "Gershom P. Waldo, Deacon, residing near Perry, Wyoming county.
  - " William S. Walker, Rector of St. John's Church, Ithaca, Tompkins county.
  - " Nathaniel Watkins, Missionary at Cape Vincent, Jefferson county.
  - " John Wayland, D. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Canandaigua, Ontario county.

- Rev. William M. Weber, M. D., Missionary at Perryville and Peterboro, Madison county.
  - " Eli Wheeler, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Waterloo, Seneca county.
  - " Russel Wheeler.
  - Benjamin W. Whicher, Deacon, Missionary at Oriskany, Remsen, and parts adjacent, Oneida county.
  - " Phineas L. Whipple, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Bath, Steuben county.
  - " Lloyd Windsor, Rector of Grace Church, Lockport, Niagara county.

The following Clergymen are officiating in the Diocese, but not yet transferred:
Rev. George Bridgeman, officiating at Aurora, Wales, Erie county, and Sheldon,
Wyoming county.

" P. P. Kidder, officiating at Mayville and Westfield, Chautauque county.

There are also resident in the Diocese the following Clergymen: Rev. Ashbel Baldwin, D. D., residing at Rochester.

" Johnson A. Brayton, residing at Watertown, and teaching a school.

## LIST OF THE CLERGY WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

#### BISHOP.

# Right Rev. WILLIAM HEATHCOTE DE LANCEY, D. D.

#### PRESBYTERS.

Rev. Charles G. Acly,

Samuel G. Appleton,

Liberty A. Barrows,

Josiah M. Bartlett,

James A. Bolles,

Edward Bourns,

" Fortune C. Brown,

Nathaniel F. Bruce, M. D.,

Robert Campbell, "

Lucius Carter,

Tapping R. Chipman,

John W. Clark,

Joseph T. Clark,

" Philemon E. Coe,

Samuel Cooke,

" Charles D. Cooper,

. 66 Levi H. Corson,

Seth Davis,

Stephen Douglass, "

William E. Eigenbrodt,

" Edmund Embury,

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John F. Fish,

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" Henry Gregory,

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Rev. Edward Ingersoll,

Bethel Judd, D. D.,

George Leeds,

44 Henry Lockwood,

" John McCarty,

Thomas Meachem,

Stephen C. Millett, "

Major A. Nickerson,

" Thomas C. Pitkin,

" John J. Robertson, D. D.,

Ferdinand Rogers, "

John C. Rudd, D. D., "

" Montgomery Schuyler,

66 William Shelton, D. D.,

66 Erastus Spalding,

Benjamin W. Stone, "

" Isaac Swart,

" Charles J. Todd,

,66 Amos C. Treadway,

Thomas P. Tyler, "

"

John V. Van Ingen,

Washington Van Zandt,

" William S. Walker,

Nathaniel Watkins.

John Wayland, D. D., "

Eli Wheeler,

Phineas L. Whipple,

Lloyd Windsor.

### DEACONS.

Rev. Benjamin Franklin,

Mason Gallagher,

Charles H. Platt,

Rev. Edward A. Renouf,

Benjamin W. Whicher.

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# LIST OF LAY DEPUTIES WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

#### CAYUGA COUNTY-

AUBURN—St. Peter's Church, Charles B. Perry, S. A. Goodwin, James H. Bostwick.

Montezuma—St. Paul's Church, Peter Clarke.

### CHEMUNG COUNTY-

Elmira—Trinity Church, Harvey Luce, Dorus Hatch, Thomas Maxwell.

#### CHENANGO COUNTY-

Bainbridge—St. Peter's Church, Richard W. Juliand.

GREENE—Zion Church, Joseph Juliand.

New Berlin—St. Andrew's Church, Jesse Beardsley, Noah Ely.

Oxford—St. Paul's Church, Austin Hyde.

SHERBURNE—Christ Church, Thomas Kershaw.

### ERIE COUNTY-

Buffalo—St. Paul's Church, George B. Webster, Lester Brace.

"Trinity Church, Henry Daw, Dyer Tillinghast, Cyrus Athearn.

#### GENESEE COUNTY-

BATAVIA—St. James' Church, Benjamin Pringle, Timothy Fitch, William A. Seaver.

LE Roy—St. Mark's Church, Henry Stanley, D. R. Bacon.

### JEFFERSON COUNTY—

Pierreport Manor—Zion Church, Henry B. Whipple, Benjamin Wright, Jr.

#### LEWIS COUNTY-

Lowville—Trinity Church, William McCulloch.

### LIVINGSTON COUNTY—

Geneseo—St. Michael's Church, Allen Ayrault.

Mount Morris—St. John's Church, David A. Miller, John
R. Murray, Jr.

#### MONROE COUNTY-

Rochester-Grace Church, Samuel G. Andrews.

St. Luke's Church, Vincent Mathews, Frederick Whittlesey, Henry E. Rochester.

#### NIAGARA COUNTY-

"

Lockport—Christ Church, Nathan Dayton, Truman Kilborn, William Norman.

" Grace Church, Elias Ransom, George W. Merchant.

#### ONEIDA COUNTY-

Camden—Trinity Church, Artemas Trowbridge.

New Hartford—St. Stephen's Church, Moses T. Eggleston.

Rome—Zion Church, John Stryker.

Utica—Grace Church, J. Watson Williams, Chester Griswold.

WATERVILLE—Grace Church, William R. Osborn.

#### ONONDAGA COUNTY-

FAYETTEVILLE—Trinity Church, Almon Gregory, Henry G. Hamlin.

SKANEATELES—St. James' Church, Nash De Cost, Dyer Brainerd.

Syracuse—St. Paul's Church, William A. Cook, Henry Eaton, Joseph J. Bradley.

#### ONTARIO COUNTY-

Canandaigua—St. John's Church, Frederick Bunnell, Orson Benjamin, Henry K. Sanger.

Geneva—Trinity Church, James Rees, Robert C. Nicholas, Joseph G. Swift.

VIENNA—St. John's Church, Theodore S. Pinckney, George W. Swift.

#### OSWEGO COUNTY-

Fulton-Zion Church, Samuel Griswold.

GRANBY-St. Luke's Church, Frederick Proud, Henry Proud.

## SENECA COUNTY-

Seneca Falls—Trinity Church, Anthony Dey, John Fitch. Waterloo—St. Paul's Church, George W. Perrine, John Watkins, Sterling G. Hadley.

#### STEUBEN COUNTY-

BATH—St. Thomas' Church, Henry Brother, Wm. H. Bull. Hammondsport—St. James' Church, Stanley B. Fairchild. Corning—Christ Church, Samuel H. Maxwell.

### TIOGA COUNTY-

Owego-St. Paul's Church, Charles Winthrop.

## WAYNE COUNTY-

CLYDE—St. John's Church, J. N. Westcott, J. C. Atkins.

Lyons—Grace Church, John Adams, Dr. Mann.

Palmyra—Zion Church, James E. Walker.

Sodus—St. John's Church, Charles W. Rees.

#### YATES COUNTY-

Penn Yan—St. Mark's Church, H. P. Sartwell, B. W. Franklin, Abraham Dox.

The following Clergymen, entitled to seats, were not present at the Convention:

66 66	Stephen H. Battin, Richard F. Burnham, William Croswell, Samuel Goodale, Asa Griswold,	66	Rufus Murray, Beardsley Northrop, James Jay Okill, Marcus A. Perry, Pierre A. Proal, D. D.,
66 64	Edward D. Kennicott, Alfred Louderback, Thomas Morris,	66	Joseph Ransom, Lewis Thibou, Jr., William M. Weber, M. D.

The following Clergymen, not members of the Convention, were present at its sittings:

Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, of the Diocese of New York.

- " Johnson A. Brayton, " "
- " Orsamus H. Smith, " " "
  " Amos G. Baldwin, of the Diocese of Western New York.
- "Henry S. Attwater, " " "
- " Pierre P. Irving, " " "
- " John B. Gallagher, of the Diocese of Georgia.
- " Henry B. Bartow.
- " Richard F. Cadle, belonging to the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop.

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OF THE

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

# GENEVA, WEDNESDAY, August 21st, 1844.

This being the day, fixed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western New York, for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the same, the Right Rev. William Heathcote De Lancey, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, with a number of the Clergy and Laity, assembled at 10 o'clock, A. M., in Trinity Church in the village of Geneva, the place appointed by the Bishop for the meeting.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Phineas L. Whipple, assisted by the Rev. George Leeds, who read the lessons; and a Sermon was preached by the Rev. William Shelton, D. D. The Bishop then administered the Holy Communion, in which he was assisted by the Rev. Phineas L. Whipple, the Rev. Amos C. Treadway, and the Rev. Erastus Spalding.

The Convention having been called to order by the Bishop, and the Secretary of the last Convention being absent on account of indisposition; the Assistant Secretary proceeded, under the direction of the Bishop, to call the names of such of the Clergy in the Diocese of Western New York, as, by the Constitution, are entitled to seats in the Convention; when the following gentlemen answered to their names and took their seats as members, viz:

Right Rev. W. H. De Lancey, D. D., The Rev. Liberty A. Barrows, Josiah M. Bartlett, Fortune C. Brown, Lucius Carter, Tapping R. Chipman, Robert Campbell, John W. Clark, Joseph T. Clark, Philemon E. Coe, Samuel Cooke, Charles D. Cooper, Levi H. Corson, Seth Davis, William E. Eigenbrodt, Edmund Embury, David M. Fackler, John F. Fish, E. B. Foote, Benjamin Franklin, Mason Gallagher, George D. Gillespie, Henry Gregory, Benjamin Hale, D. D., Andrew Hull, Edward Ingersoll, Bethel Judd, D. D., George Leeds, Henry Lockwood, John McCarty, Stephen C. Millett, Major A. Nickerson, Thomas C. Pitkin, Charles H. Platt, E.

A. Renouf, Ferdinand Rogers, J. J. Robertson, D. D., John C. Rudd, D. D., Montgomery Schuyler, William Shelton, D. D., Erastus Spalding, Benjamin W. Stone, Isaac Swart, Thomas P. Tyler, Amos C. Treadway, John V. Van Ingen, Washington Van Zandt, John Wayland, D. D., Nathaniel Watkins, Eli Wheeler, Benjamin W. Whicher, Phineas L. Whipple, Lloyd Windsor.

The Churches of the Diocese having been called, in order, for the certificates of Lay Deputies,

The Chair appointed the Rev. John V. Van Ingen and the Rev. Eli Wheeler, under the third rule of order, to examine the same with the Acting Secretary.

It was then, on motion,

Resolved, That the Convention take a recess until half past 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Whereupon the house took a recess until half past 3 o'clock.

## WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, 31 O'CLOCK.

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The Couvention re-assembled.

COTINITIES

The Committee, to whom were referred the certificates of Lay Deputies, having reported; the Acting Secretary proceeded to call the Churches in order, when the following gentlemen appeared as Lay Deputies, and took their seats, viz: from

CHURCHES.

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DEPUTIES.
Cayuga,	St. Paul's, Montezuma,.	S. A. Goodwin, James H. Bostwick.
Chemung,	Trinity, Elmira,	Harvey Luce, Dorus Hatch, Thomas Maxwell.
Chenango,	St. Peter's, Bainbridge, . Zion, Greene, St. Andrew's, New Berlin	Joseph Juliand. n,.Jesse Beardsley, Noah ElyAustin Hyde.
Erie,	St. Paul's, Buffalo,	

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DEPUTIES.
	Trinity, Buffalo,	. Henry Daw,
		Dyer Tillinghast,
		Cyrus Athearn.
Genesee,	St. James', Batavia,	
		Timothy Fitch,
•	St Mark's To Ton	William A. Seaver.
	St. Mark's, Le Loy,	D. R. Bacon.
Tofferson	Zion, Pierrepont Manor,.	
Jenerson,	. Zion, I iorropont manor, .	Benjamin Wright, Jr.
T.ewis	Trinity Church, Lowville,	<b>.</b> .
,	St. Michael's, Geneseo,	
1714111gbton,	St. John's, Mount Morris,	
	ou comi o, racent racerto,	John R. Murray, Jr.
Monroe	.Grace, Rochester,	
,	St. Luke's, Rochester,	
		Frederick Whittlesey,
		Henry E. Rochester.
Niagara,	Christ Church, Lockport,	
		Truman Kilborn,
	Gran Looknow	William Norman.
•	Grace, Lockport,	George W. Merchant.
Oneida	.Trinity, Camden,	•
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	Zion, Rome,	
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		Joseph G. Swift.
	St. John's, Vienna,	. Theodore A. Pinckney,
		George W. Swift.
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	St. Luke's, Granby,	
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Seneca,	. Trinity, Seneca Falls,	. Anthony Dey, John Fitch.
	St. Paul's, Waterloo,	George W. Perrine, John Watkins, Sterling G. Hadley.
Steuben,	.St. Thomas', Bath,	. Henry Brother, William H. Bull.
	St. James', Hammondspor Christ Church, Corning,.	t,Stanley B. FairchildSamuel H. Maxwell.
Tioga,	St. Paul's, Owego,	. Charles Winthrop.
Wayne,	.St. John's, Clyde,	J. N. Westcott, J. C. Atkins.
	Grace, Lyons,	.John Adams, Dr. Mann.
	Zion, Palmyra,	
Yates,	. St. Mark's, Penn Yan,	.H. P. Sartwell, B. W. Franklin, Abraham Dox.

On motion of Mr. H. E. Rochester, the Rules of Order of the last Convention, having been amended as follows, were adopted to regulate the proceedings of the present Convention, viz:

#### RULES OF ORDER:

# IN CONDUCTING THE BUSINESS OF THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW YORK.

I. At the opening of any session of the Convention, the President shall take the chair, and shall continue to preside during its sitting. He shall possess the usual powers of presiding officers in deliberative assemblies, to preserve order and decorum, and shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house. He shall have the right to name any clerical member to perform the duties of the chair; but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment, unless directed by the house. The person, so named, shall possess all the powers of the President, but shall not lose the right of voting while so presiding.

- II. If the Secretary of the preceding Convention be in attendance, he shall officiate as such, until another be chosen. If he be not present, or there shall be none, a temporary Secretary may be appointed on motion, by a viva vece vote.
- shall call over the names of the clergy entitled to seats in the Convention, and shall enter in the Journals those who are present. Notice shall then be given to the Lay Deputies to place their certificates on the table. They shall be examined by the Secretary and a committee of two members to be appointed by the President. Any irregular or defective certificate shall be suspended, until a quorum shall have appeared. The names of the lay deputies duly appointed shall then be called; and those who are present shall be entered on the Journals. The irregular and defective certificates shall then be reported to the Convention, who shall decide on the admission of the deputies named in them.
- IV. A constitutional quorum being found to be present, the President shall declare the Convention duly organized.
- V. A Secretary shall then be chosen in the manner prescribed by the canons. He may appoint an assistant, who shall perform all the duties of the office, in the absence of the Secretary.
- VI. The following standing committees shall then be appointed by the President:
  - 1. On the admission into union with this Convention of churches applying for the same, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen.
  - 2. On the accounts of the Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled clergymen, to consist of three laymen.
  - 3. On the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention, to consist of three laymen.
  - 4. On the report of the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, and the condition of the fund, to consist of three laymen.
  - 5. On unfinished business, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen.
- VII. A Treasurer of the Convention, and a Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled clergymen, shall then be appointed by ballot, unless dispensed with by an unanimous vote; when they may be appointed on motion.
- VIII. After the Daily Morning Prayer, the order of business, which shall not be departed from without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, shall be as follows:
  - r. The reading, correcting, and approving of the minutes of the preceding day.

- II. Calling the names of the absent members, and entering in the Journal those who appear.
- III. Reports from standing committees in the following order:
  - 1. On the admission into union with the Convention of this Diocese, of churches applying for that purpose.
  - 2. On the account of the Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled clergymen.
  - 3. On the Treasurer's accounts.
  - 4. On the report of the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, and the condition of the fund.
  - 5. On unfinished business.
- rv. Reports from the Secretary and Treasurer, when those officers have any business committed to them, shall then be in order: and then reports from the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate, and from the Trustees of the Christmas Fund for disabled clergymen.
- v. Reports from the Special committees in the order, in which they were appointed.
- vi. Motions, resolutions, and miscellaneous business.
- IX. The Bishop's Address shall be in order at any time.
- X. Every member, who shall be present when a question is stated from the Chair, shall vote thereon unless excused by the house.
- XI. No motion shall be put or debated until it is seconded; and, when seconded, it shall be stated by the President before debate; and every motion shall be reduced to writing, when required by the President, or any member.
- XII. If the question in debate contain several distinct propositions, any member may have the same divided.
- XIII. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, unless to postpone it indefinitely; to postpone it to a certain time; to lay it on the table; to commit it or amend it; and motions for either of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. But a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, when no member is speaking, and shall be decided without debate; and, if it be negatived, it shall not be renewed, until some other business has intervened.
- XIV. A motion to lay on the table shall be decided without debate.
- XV. On a question being put by the President, it shall be determined by the sound of voices, for or against it; but any member may require a count of the votes, and tellers for that purpose shall be appointed by the chair—or any three votes may, previous

to a decision by count, require the ayes and noes to be taken, which shall be done by calling the names of the clerical members and the churches represented; and the votes shall be entered in the Journals.

- XVI. Any five votes may require the ayes and noes to be taken by orders; and, when so taken, they shall be entered on the minutes.
- XVII. No member may speak more than twice on the same question without leave of the house.
- XVIII. A question being decided, shall not be re-considered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the votes of the Convention, nor without the motion for that purpose being made by one of the majority on the prior decision: nor shall any question be re-considered more than once.
- XIX. All special committees shall be appointed by the chair, unless otherwise specially directed by the house; in which case they shall be appointed by ballot.
- XX. The election of the Standing Committee, and of Deputies to the General Convention, and the election of any person to supply a vacancy in the Board of Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate, or in the Board of Trustees, of the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, shall be the order of the day for 12 o'clock, on the second day of every annual meeting of the Convention.
- XXI. No standing rule or order shall be suspended, changed, or rescinded, without one day's previous notice of a motion to that effect; unless by the votes of two-thirds of the persons present, entitled to vote.
- XXII. Before the final adjournment of any session of the Convention, the minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read, corrected, and approved.
- XXIII. Unless otherwise ordered by the Convention, it shall meet at nine o'clock in the morning; take a recess from one to three o'clock in the afternoon; and adjourn for the day at six o'clock, P. M.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot for a Secretary:—whereupon the Rev. Pierre A. Proal, D. D., was elected.

In absence of the Secretary on account of indisposition, the Rev. John V. Van Ingen, was appointed Secretary, pro tem.

The Chair announced to the house, that the Secretary had appointed the Rev. William E. Eigenbrodt his Assistant.

On motion,

Resolved, That Clergymen, belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention; Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, not belonging to this Diocese; and Professors and students of Theology in the Protestant Episcopal Church, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention.

The Bishop having announced this invitation, the following gentlemen took their seats; viz:—

The Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, Johnson A. Brayton, John B. Gallagher, Henry S. Attwater, Amos G. Baldwin, Orsamus H. Smith, Henry B. Bartow. Orrin Miller, Richard F. Cadle; and Messrs. Walter Ayrault, John N. Norton, Levi W. Norton, Charles Woodward, Students of Theology.

The Chair then announced the following Standing Committees:

On the admission of Churches into Union with this Convention.

Rev. Henry Gregory, Messrs. Vincent Matthews, Richard W. Juliand.

On the accounts of the Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen.

Messrs. Henry E. Rochester, Dyer Tillinghast, Joseph Juliand.

On the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention.

Messrs. R. C. Nicholas, S. A. Goodwin, S. G. Andrews.

On the Report of the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate.

Messrs. George B. Webster, C. B. Perry, H. K. Sanger.

On Unfinished Business.

Rev. Eli Wheeler, Messrs. Joseph G. Swift, John Stryker.

Christ Church, Albion, Orleans county, applied for admission into union with this Convention.

On motion, this application was referred to the Standing Committee "On the admission of Churches into union with this Convention."

The Rev. Mr. Appleton appeared, and took his seat.

The Bishop then, in compliance with the Canon, delivered the following

#### ADDRESS.

My Brethren—The Clerical and Lay Deputies of the Convention:—

Permitted again, I trust with thankful hearts, to meet in concert on the affairs of the Diocese, I proceed, in compliance with the Canon, to lay before you the record of my proceedings since the last Convention.

Immediately upon the adjournment of the Convention; on Sunday, the 20th of August, I visited *Utica*, where I officiated in the morning in Trinity church, and in the afternoon in Grace church, confirming in the latter ten persons.

On the evening of the 23d, I preached in Schenectady.

On the 27th, I officiated twice in St. John's church, Canandaigua.

September 3d, I visited Grace church, Lyons, where I preached both morning and afternoon, confirming eleven persons at the latter service.

September 5th, at Geneva, I administered the Holy Communion in private to a sick person.

On the 7th, I preached in the Presbyterian house of worship at Pulaski, and baptized one infant.

On the 8th, in Zion church, Pierrepont Manor, I baptized one adult (by request of the Rector,) preached, and confirmed ten persons.

On the 9th, in Christ church, Sackett's Harbor, I preached, and confirmed seven persons.

On the 10th, I dismissed the Rev. John Noble to the Diocese of Tennessee.

Sunday, the 10th, I preached in the morning in Christ church, Brownville, and confirmed three persons; and in the afternoon in All Saints' church, Dexter, where I confirmed two persons.

I visited St. John's church, Cape Vincent, on the 12th, where I preached twice, and confirmed eighteen persons.

In Trinity church, Watertown, I preached in the evening of the 13th; and the next day, in the morning, I preached, and confirmed twenty-eight persons, and administered the Holy Communion.

On Friday, the 15th, in the Methodist chapel at Lowrille, in the evening, I read prayers, preached, and baptized three adults; and on the 16th, in the morning, I read prayers, preached, confirmed fifteen persons, baptized one child, and administered the Holy Communion.

On Sunday morning, the 17th, I read prayers, preached, and confirmed four persons in St. Paul's church, Turin; and in the afternoon I read prayers, preached, and baptized three children in St. Paul's chapel, Constableville.

I held an ordination in Zion church, Rome, on Tuesday, the 19th September; when I admitted the Rev. Stephen H. Battin and the Rev. Edward D. Kennicott, Deacons, to the holy order of Priests, and administered the Holy Communion, the sermon being preached by the Rev. Mr. Gregory. In the afternoon of the same day, I preached and confirmed seventeen persons in the same church.

I preached in the Lyceum at Oneida Depot, on the 20th.

On the 21st, I preached in the long room at Bridgeport, and confirmed four persons.

On the 23d, I attended the funeral of an aged communicant of Trinity church, Geneva.

On the 24th, I administered the holy sacrament of Baptism to an adult in Geneva, and again on the 27th, in the same place.

On the 25th, I dismissed the Rev. Rufus M. White, Deacon, to the Diocese of Georgia.

October 1st, I preached twice at Geneva, administering the Holy Communion in the morning.

On the 4th, I received into this Diocese, the Rev. J. J. Robertson, D. D., on a letter of dismission from Maryland.

On the 8th, I officiated at Geneva in the morning.

On the 10th, I consecrated St. Matthew's church, Moravia, a new edifice, erected, by the persevering zeal of a small but faithful flock, in the place of the building, whose destruction by fire was recorded in the Address to the last Convention. On this occasion I also confirmed eleves persons.

On the 15th, I preached in the morning in St. John's church, Canandaigua.

On the 22d, I preached once in Trinity church, New Rochelle; and on the 29th, in St. Thomas', Mamaroneck, twice.

On the 19th of November, I read prayers and preached twice in St. John's, Canandaigue.

My visit and services were those of condolence with the parish under the sad bereavement of its Rector, the Rev. Augustine Palmer Prevost: who, having been absent from his parish during a greater part of the summer, returned; officiated once; and, ceasing to be able to resume his duties, departed to Philadelphia: where, on the 15th of November, he was called to his account. Ordained in 1836, he entered, in the fall of that year, on the charge of St. John's church, Canandaigua; and had, by his piety, fidelity, and zeal, aided by ample talents, frank demeanour, and impressive elocution, won for himself the regard and affection of his flock; and diligently and successfully labored to build them up in the knowledge, faith, and graces of the Gospel and Church of CHRIST: leaving behind him, when called from his work, among the many seals of his ministry, the fragrant memory of a true friend, a faithful pastor, and a holy man. May the event incite us all, my Brethren of the Clergy, to appreciate the admonition of Him who has said, "Blessed is that servant, whom his Lord, when HE cometh, shall find watching!"

On December 1st, I gave a letter of dismission, transferring the Rev. Cicero S. Hawks to the Diocese of Missouri.

An attack of sickness prevented me from officiating again until Christmas day, the 25th of December, when I preached in Genera, as I did also on the afternoon of the 31st.

On the 7th of January, I preached, and administered the Holy Communion in Geneva.

On the 4th of February, I preached and administered the Holy Communion in St. Paul's church, Rochester, in the morning; and preached in St. Luke's church in the afternoon.

On the 11th, I read prayers and preached in St. Paul's church in the morning, and preached again in the evening.

I visited Rochester on this occasion with especial reference to the affairs of Grace Church, worshipping in St. Paul's church edifice; which edifice had been bought in under a foreclosure by a few members of the congregation, some of whom had been large contributors to the church before, and who advanced the requisite amount, in the hope that the church might be revived, and themselves refunded. The Rector had resigned on account of the pecuniary embarrassments of the church. The Vestry were unable to purchase the church; and there was apprehension, lest the building should, by the force of circumstances, be alienated from the Episcopal Church, and the congregation dispersed. In order, therefore, to preserve and retain this important church edifice (one of the most beautiful in the Diocese,) to the Church, I deemed it my duty, after consulting with wise and influential Lay friends in Rochester, to become the proprietor of the edifice, in the hope of thus ensuring to the Church in perpetuity the possession of the building, (in case the effort to relieve it from its pecuniary embarrassments should succeed,) and also to afford a basis for the experiment to relieve it to be fairly tried.

The congregation with the vestry of Grace Church continue to worship in the church, supplied with the ministrations of the clergy laboring in it under my direction; and awaiting the result of the experiment, as well as aiding in the effort to rescue the church from its difficulties. The clergymen employed have been the Rev. Stephen Douglass, who, happening to be at leisure, kindly consented to aid me three months; after him, the Rev. John V. Van Ingen; and, since his ordination, the Rev. Charles H. Platt, Regarding it in the light of a centre for useful Missionary operations in the city and county, both these brethren have been appointed Missionaries without stipends; and have given, and will continue to give, gratuitous services to Penfield, Brighton, Pittsford, and other places, where openings may occur. The funds, derived from pew-rents, are applied to providing the services of the clergy, to the payment of the interest on the debt and reduction of the principal, and to the contingent expenses. My own services are given gratuitously, and are designed to be rendered in such way and at such times, as not to interfere with my Diocesan duties; which are paramount.

Whether, by thus applying my leisure time and attention to this branch of the vine, I shall be successful in restoring it to some permanent and effectual fruitfulness, remains still to be seen. In the peculiar circumstances of the case, I felt it to be my duty to make the attempt; and encounter the personal risk and sacrifices, which it demands. Thus far the effort has been blessed to the extent of sustaining the services of the Church, without augmenting the incumbrances. The congregation has increased in the number of attendants and in the interest taken in its affairs. Their

monthly contributions to the Diocesan Treasury have enlarged. The ministrations of the Clergy are cordially received; and, with such exterior assistance as, I trust, may be anticipated, the object in view will, I hope, be consummated, in finally rescuing the church from debt, and establishing within it a permanent congregation of faithful Christians and devoted and intelligent Churchmen.

On the 16th, I transferred the Rev. Hobart Williams, by letter dimissory, to the Diocese of Rhode Island.

On the 21st, Ash-Wednesday, I preached at Geneva; and also in the afternoon of Sunday, the 25th.

On Wednesday, the 28th, I had the gratification to consecrate, to the worship of Almighty God, a new church edifice at Camden, Oneida county, by the name of Trinity church; erected by the zealous friends of the Church in that village, under the guidance of the Rev. E. D. Kennicott, whose labors there have been highly blessed.

The next day, in the same church, I preached, confirmed seventeen persons, and administered the Holy Communion.

On Sunday, the 3d of March, I held an ordination in St. Paul's church, Rochester, when the Rev. Asa Griswold, Deacon, was admitted to the Priesthood. I administered the Holy Communion on the occasion, and preached in the same church in the afternoon.

Sunday, March I0th, I preached twice in St. Paul's church, Rochester.

In the same church, on the evening of the 15th,

In the same church, on the 17th, morning and evening.

Sunday, the 24th, I preached twice, and confirmed two persons in Trinity church, Seneca Falls.

On the 31st, I preached twice in St. Paul's church, Waterloo.

April 5th, being Good Friday, I preached in St. Paul's church, Rochester.

And in the same church, on April 7th, Easter Day, I preached, and administered the Holy Communion.

On Monday and Tuesday in Easter week, I read morning prayers in the same church, and baptized one child on the former day.

Sunday, the 14th, I read prayers, and preached twice in the same church.

On Sunday, 21st, I preached twice and confirmed four persons St. John's church, Clyde.

On the 28th, I preached in the morning in St. Luke's church, Rochester, and confirmed seventeen persons.

On the afternoon of the same day, I preached in the School house at Pittsford, Monroe county.

On the 2d of May, I transferred the Rev. Dr. Whitehouse to the Diocese of New York.

On the 5th, I preached and administered the Holy Communion in St. Mark's church, *Penn Yan*, in the morning; and preached, and confirmed six persons in the afternoon.

On the 8th, I preached in the Baptist house at Montezuma.

On the 9th, I preached in the Methodist house in Jordan.

On the 10th, I preached, and confirmed one person in St. John's church, Marcellus.

On the 11th, in St. James' church, Skaneateles, I preached, and confirmed five persons.

On the 12th, in St. Peter's church, Auburn, I preached twice, and confirmed six persons.

At Palmyra, in Zion church, on the afternoon of the 14th, I preached, and confirmed ten persons.

I preached in St. John's church, Sodus, on the 15th; and in the Methodist chapel, Pultneyville, on the 16th, where I baptized two infants.

At Penfield, on the 17th, in the Methodist chapel, I preached, and administered the Holy Communion.

In St. John's church, Honeoye Falls, on the 19th, I preached twice, confirming five persons.

On the 26th, Whitsunday, I visited St. Paul's church, Syracuse; where I preached twice, and confirmed six persons.

On the 27th, I preached in the morning in Trinity church, Fayetteville, and confirmed two persons; and, in the afternoon, I preached, and confirmed two persons in Christ church, Manlius.

On the 28th, I preached, in the morning, in St. Stephen's church, Perryville, and confirmed three persons.

In the afternoon, I preached in the Presbyterian house of worship at Peterborough.

On the 29th, I preached in the Baptist house of worship in Hamilton, and confirmed three persons.

And, in the afternoon of the same day, I preached in Christ church, Sherburne, and confirmed fifteen persons.

On the 30th, I preached, and confirmed four persons in Emmanuel church, Norwich.

And in the afternoon, I preached, and confirmed four persons in St. Paul's church, Oxford.

On the 31st, I preached in Christ church, Guilford, and confirmed thirty-five persons.

On the 1st of June, I preached in Zion church, Greene, and confirmed seventeen persons; and, in the afternoon of same day, I preached in the Methodist chapel in Coventry, and confirmed one person.

On Trinity Sunday, the 2d of June, I preached, confirmed eleven persons, and administered the Holy Communion in St. Luke's church, *Harpersville*, Broome county.

In the afternoon of the same day, I preached in the Presbyterian house of worship at Windsor, and confirmed five persons.

On the 3d of June, I preached in St. Peter's church, Bainbridge, and confirmed four persons; and, in the afternoon, I preached in . Grace church, Mount Upton, and confirmed three persons.

On the 4th, I preached in St. Andrew's church, New Berlin, and confirmed twenty persons.

On the afternoon of the same day, I preached in the school house, South Edmeston, Otsego county, in the Diocese of New York.

On the 5th, I preached, and administered the Holy Communion, in the room occupied by the congregation of Christ church, Bridgewater; and, in the evening of the same day, I preached in Grace church, Waterville.

On the 6th, in the same church, I preached, and confirmed seven persons, in the morning.

In the afternoon, I preached, and confirmed three persons in St. Paul's church, Paris Hill.

I officiated in the Congregational house of worship at Clinton, on the 7th, where I preached, and confirmed one person.

In the afternoon, I preached in the Methodist house at Hampton.

I preached, and administered the Holy Communion, on the 8th, in St. Stephen's church, New Hartford; the confirmation being postponed on account of the absence of the Rector, rendered necessary by domestic affliction.

In the evening of the same day, I confirmed a sick member of Trinity church, Utica.

On Sunday, the 9th, I preached in the morning in Grace church, Utica, and confirmed sixteen persons.

In the afternoon, I confirmed thirty-two persons in Trinity church, Utica; making, with the sick person above referred to, thirty-three for that parish. I preached in Trinity church in the evening.

I preached, on the evening of the 10th, in St. Peter's church, Oriskany, and confirmed eight persons.

On the 11th, I received into this Diocese the Rev. Montgomery Schuyler, from the Diocese of Michigan. He has become Rector of Grace church, Lyons.

On the 15th, I read prayers at an evening service in St. Paul's church, Rochester,

On Sunday, the 16th, I preached in St. Paul's church, Rockester, and administered the Holy Communion in the morning; and, in the afternoon, I confirmed in that church eleven persons; and preached again at a third service in the evening.

On the 17th, I gave a letter of dismission to the Rev. S. McHugh to the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop of Wisconsan.

On Sunday, the 23d, I preached in the morning in Trinity church, New Rochelle, in the Diocese of New York.

From the 25th to the 28th inclusive, I attended the examinations, the meetings of the Board of Trustees, and the Commencement of the General Theological Seminary in New York; and was much gratified with the sound and satisfactory character of the examinations, the harmonious and peaceful action of the Board of Trustees, and the gratifying services of the Commencement. On the application of the Diocese of South Carolina, through its Trustees, a Committee was appointed to inquire and report, in the fullest manner, on rumors injurious to the Seminary: in order that, if untrue, they might be authoritatively denied; and, if true, a suitable remedy might be applied. This Committee will report at the next meeting of the Board, which will be in September. The promptness and unanimity, with which this application for enquiry was met by the Board, could not but be highly gratifying to all the friends of the Seminary.

I did not attend the Meeting of the Board of Missions, not having reached the city in time.

On Sunday, the 30th, I participated in the solemn and interesting services, connected with the ordination of nine Descons and

two Priests, by the Bishops of Connecticut and New York, in St. Thomas' church, New York; on which occasion I read the Litany and Ante-communion service.

On Monday evening, I read prayers in St. Peter's church, Philadelphia, of which I was formerly the Rector; where daily morning and evening prayers, as provided for in the Prayer Book, are regularly held.

On Sunday, the 7th of July, I preached, and administered the Holy Communion, in St. Paul's church, *Rochester*; and preached again in the evening.

On the 11th, I received into this Diocese the Rev. Thomas C. Pitkin from the Diocese of Kentucky. Mr. Pitkin has become the Rector of St. Luke's church, Rochester.

On the same day, I received, from the Standing Committee, certificates in favor of Benjamin W. Whicher, Charles Henry Platt, and Mason Gallagher, for Deacon's Orders, and of Rev. Edward A. Renouf, Deacon, for Priest's Orders; and also admitted Mr. Daniel C. Millett as a Candidate for Holy Orders.

On Sunday, the 14th, I preached at Geneva, and confirmed eleven persons; having the previous day confirmed three sick persons in private. I preached also in the afternoon.

On Monday, the 15th, in St. Paul's church, Waterloo, I admitted Messrs. Mason Gallagher, Benjamin Williams Whicher, and Charles Henry Platt, to the Holy Order of Deacons; and had the great pleasure of being assisted in the services on the occasion by the Rt. Rev. Dr. McCoskry, Bishop of the Diocese of Michigan, who also preached the sermon. The three Candidates ordained were graduates of the General Theological Seminary.

In the afternoon of the same day, I held a confirmation in the same church, when two persons were confirmed.

On the 17th, I preached twice, and confirmed fourteen persons in Christ church, Oswego.

On the 18th, I preached in the morning in St. Luke's church, Granby, and confirmed five persons.

In the afternoon of the same day, I preached in Zion church, Fulton, and confirmed four persons. At an evening service in the same church, I confirmed one more person.

On Friday afternoon, the 19th, I preached in Ascension church, Liverpool.

On Saturday morning, the 20th, I preached in St. Mark's church, Jamesville, and confirmed one person.

I preached, in the afternoon of that day, in Christ church, Pompey.

Sunday, the 21st, I preached in Calvary church, *Homer*, confirmed sixteen persons, (one from Zion church, Greene,) and administered the Holy Communion.

I preached in the afternoon in the Presbyterian house of worship in Cortland Village.

On the 22d, I preached, and confirmed six persons in the Methodist house at McLean.

On the 23d, I preached, baptized one infant, confirmed four persons, and administered the Holy Communion in St. John's church, formerly at Richford, Tioga county, but which had been recently removed to Speedsville, Tompkins county.

The removal of the church edifice to Speedsville, rendered necessary by the removal of almost every Church family from Richford, bespeaks the revived energy and zeal of the few Churchmen engaged in the enterprise; and the overflowing congregations which have attended the services in the new location, augur most favorably of its ultimate success.

I preached, and confirmed two persons, in St. Paul's church, Owego, on the afternoon of the 24th.

At Christ church, Binghamton, on the 25th, St. James' day, I preached in the morning, and confirmed fourteen persons, (and also one person in private, making in all fifteen,) and preached again in the afternoon.

I confirmed four persons in St. Mark's church, Candor, on the morning of the 27th, and preached on the occasion.

Sunday, the 28th, I spent at Factoryville; preaching, in the morning, by request, at Athens, Pennsylvania, and in the afternoon, in the Methodist house at Factoryville, where I also confirmed six persons.

On Monday afternoon, the 29th, in Trinity church, Elmira, I preached and confirmed twenty-five persons, and subsequently one person in private, in all twenty-six.

On the 30th, in the edifice used by the congregation of Christ church, Corning, Steuben county, I preached, and confirmed six persons, and subsequently two in private, making in all eight persons.

On the 31st, I preached, and confirmed three persons in St. John's church, Catherines, in the afternoon.

On the 1st of August, in the morning, I preached in Christ church, South Danby.

In the afternoon of the same day, I preached in St. John's church, Ithaca, and confirmed seven persons in the church, and one in private, in all eight.

I preached in the Methodist chapel at *Enfield*, on the 2d of Aug., in the morning, and in Trinity church, *Hector*, in the afternoon of the same day.

On the 3d, I preached in the Methodist chapel at Ovid.

On the 4th, I administered the Holy Communion at Geneva.

I attended, as usual, the Commencement of Geneva College, to whose increasing efficiency and usefulness to the general interests of sound education, and importance to the Church, I again bear testimony.

The effort to establish a Professorship in the College, under the venerated name of the Hobart Professorship, I earnestly commend to the liberality of the Church.

On the 10th, I instituted the Rev. John Wayland, D. D., into the Rectorship of St. John's church, *Canandaigua*. The sermon on the occasion was preached by my Rt. Rev. Brother, the Bishop of New York.

On Sunday, the 11th, I instituted the Rev. Thomas C. Pitkin into the Rectorship of St. Luke's church, Rochester, and preached on the occasion. Mr. Pitkin succeeds the Rev. Dr. Whitehouse, who has removed from the Diocese.

In the afternoon and evening of the same day, I read the lessons and prayers, respectively, in St. Paul's church, in the same city.

On Wednesday, the 15th, I consecrated the new and magnificent edifice, erected with so much taste and liberality, in which we are now assembled, by the name of "Trinity Church," Geneva. The Rt. Rev. Dr. B. T. Onderdonk, present in the village the preceding week in attendance, as Trustee, on the affairs of Geneva College, having kindly consented to remain to attend the consecration, preached, at my request, the sermon on the occasion.

The next day, the 16th, I instituted the Rev. Samuel Cooke into the Rectorship of this Church, and preached on the occasion.

On Sunday, the 18th, I preached twice in St. John's church, Canandaigua, confirming in the morning twenty persons.

My annual labors were terminated, by administering the Holy Communion to the assembled Convention, at this morning's services.

The following is a Summary of my labors since the last Convention:—

I have officiated in 66 organized Parishes; and in 10 places, where the Church is not organized; in all 76 places. In 6 parishes I have officiated twice, and in a few oftener.

I have Baptized 10 infants and 5 adults, in all 15: Ordained 3 Deacons and 3 Priests: Instituted 3 clergymen: Consecrated 3 new Churches: Admitted 4 new Candidates for Orders: Received 9 Clergymen into the Diocese: Transferred 12 Clergymen to other Dioceses: Preached 140 times (134 times in the Diocese, and 6 elsewhere): Administered the Holy Communion 20 times: Confirmed 546 persons in 60 congregations: and travelled, in the discharge of my various duties, 4320 miles.

My reception, throughout the Diocese, has been characterized by cordiality and affection, and by undiminished interest in the services of the Church.

Among the changes in the Diocese, additional to what are incidentally recorded above, I may enumerate the following:—

The Rev. Edmund Embury has been called to the charge of Zion church, East Bloomfield.

The Rev. Edward Ingersoll has taken charge, as Rector, of Trinity church, Buffalo.

The Rev. Henry S. Attwater has resigned the Missionary station at Hunt's Hollow.

The Rev. Thomas P. Tyler has been appointed Missionary at Fredonia, Chautauque county.

The Rev. Edward A. Renouf, Deacon, has been appointed Missionary at Lowville and Turin, Lewis county, and Boonville, Oneida county.

The Rev. Samuel Cooke has become Rector of Trinity church, Geneva; and is succeded at Grace church, Lyons, by the Rev. Montgomery Schuyler from the Diocese of Michigan.

The Rev. Stephen Douglass has resigned Trinity church, Elmira; and has been succeeded by the Rev. Washington Van Zandt.

The Rev. Wm. E. Eigenbrodt, having resigned Grace church, Rochester, in consequence of its pecuniary embarrassments, has become Rector of St. Stephen's church, New Hartford.

The Rev. David M. Fackler is officiating, as Missionary, at Bridgewater, and residing at Clinton, where he is about to open a Female Seminary.

The Rev. Erastus B. Foote has become Rector of Christ church, Lockport.

The Rev. Samuel Goodale has been transferred from the Missionary station at Liverpool to that of Homer, Cortland and McLean.

The Rev. O. P. Holcomb, having resigned the Rectorship of Christ church, Lockport, is residing at Jordan, Onondaga county.

The Rev. Isaac Swart, having resigned the Missionary station at Jordan and Montezuma, has been elected Rector of St. Paul's church, Paris Hill.

The Rev. Alfred Louderback has become Rector of Zion church, Greene; vacant by the removal of Rev. J. V. Van Ingen to St. Paul's church, Rochester.

The Rev. Edward DeZeng has been compelled, by ill health, to relinquish the Missionary station at Vienna; where he was laboring with great acceptableness and success.

The Rev. Charles G. Acly, having resigned Trinity church, Seneca Falls, has accepted the charge of a Missionary station, comprising Montezuma, Cayuga, and Ovid.

The Rev. Benjamin Franklin, Deacon, has been elected Minister of Trinity church, Seneca Falls.

The Rev. Mason Gallagher, Deacon, has been appointed Missionary in Onondaga county, to supply Liverpool and other places.

The Rev. Benjamin W. Whicher, Deacon, has been appointed Missionary at *Oriskany* and *Remsen*, Oneida county.

The Rev. Charles H. Platt, Deacon, assisting in St. Paul's church, Rochester, has been appointed Missionary without stipend in unoccupied parts of Monroe county.

During the winter, the Rev. Mr. Nichols, of the Diocese of New York, officiated temporarily in Emmanuel church, Norwich: which is now supplied by the services of the Rev. Joseph Ransom, as its Rector.

The Rev. Stephen Douglass has been appointed Missionary at Camden and Constantia, in the place of the Rev. E. D. Kennicott, compelled, by ill health, to relinquish his labors there.

The Rev. Orrin Miller has been laboring at Albion, Orleans

county, in an effort to establish a new congregation in that beautiful village.

The Rev. George Bridgman, not yet transferred to this Diocese, has continued his labors at Aurora, Wales and Sheldon.

The Rev. P. P. Kidder, in similar circumstances as to a transfer, is officiating at Mayville and Westfield, Chautauque county.

The venerable Ashbel Baldwin, D. D., the first clergyman ordained by Bishop Seabury in this country, for many years Secretary of the General Convention, is residing at *Rochester*, though still canonically connected with the Diocese of Connecticut.

I have given my consent to the organization of a new Church at Albion, Orleans county.

Three Candidates for Holy Orders have been ordained. Two have been transferred to other Dioceses: and four new Candidates have been admitted. The present number in the Diocese is twenty-two. Their names are as follows, viz:—

Charles E. Van Anden,	admitte	dJune, 1840.
Edward Cooper,	"	June, 1841.
Daniel Pease, Jr.,	66	June, 1841.
Henry Stanley,	66	Aug., 1841.
Henry L. Low,	44	Oct., 1841.
Clarence Walworth,	66	Aug., 1842.
Walter Ayrault,	66	Aug., 1842.
Gardner M. Skinner,	44	Aug., 1842.
John N. Norton,	4.6	Aug., 1842.
Charles E. Phelps,	44	Aug., 1842.
William H. P. Paddock	, 46	Nov., 1842.
Allen Sheer,	44	Mar., 1843.
Benjamin B. Griswold,	46	May, 1843.
Samuel K. Miller,	66	May, 1843.
Levi W. Norton,	"	Aug., 1843.
William A. Matson,	66	Aug., 1843.
Timothy F. Wardwell,	66	Aug., 1843.
Orlando F. Starkey,	44	Aug., 1843.
Benjamin Wright,	46	Nov., 1843.
Daniel C. Millett,	66	July, 1844.
Charles Woodward,	"	Aug., 1844.
Almon Gregory,	• • •	Aug., 1844.

The whole number of Clergymen, canonically connected with the Diocese, (beside 2 not yet transferred) is 103; consisting of 1 Bishop, 94 Presbyters, and 8 Deacons. Of this number 5 are engaged in the instruction of youth; 8 are on the list of disabled clergy; 3 are prevented by age or sickness from parochial labors, but sustain themselves; and the rest are engaged, or seeking to be engaged, in parochial or missionary service. But one of the clergy, as recorded above, has been removed by death.

Aid has been extended to four beneficiaries, during the year, from funds, collected for education, or appropriated to that object by the Board.

The Report of the Education and Missionary Board will present you the particulars respecting the Missions of the Diocese.

Forty-three Missionaries have labored in the Diocese since the last Convention. The present number is 38.

It will appear, from the Report of the Treasurer of the Convention and of the Treasurer of the Christmas Fund, that the aggregate amount of collections and donations, which have passed through the hands of these officers, (exclusive of the contributions from the Diocese of New York and interest on the Permanent Fund) is \$5,210 35; being an increase of \$1,100 over the aggregate of last year.

To this aggregate should be added the sum of \$800 raised in the Diocese, but which has not passed through the bands of the Diocesan officers; which will make the whole sum given for church purposes, other than parochial, during the year, \$6,010 35.

Of the above aggregate, the sum of \$980 49 was for the Christ-mas Fund for disabled clergymen, and \$4,229 86 for church objects of all kinds.

The Monthly Collections, I am happy to say, have somewhat increased: but the augmentation results mainly from some very timely donations, to aid the Missions of the Diocese.

The Christmas Fund has fallen off about \$120. Eight persons are now receiving its benefits. And, as additional applications for aid are now before me, I trust, the next year's contributions will evince increased liberality, in the discharge of the touching duty of aiding age and disability, in bearing the sad burden of poverty and woe. One of the brethren, thus assisted, has so far recovered his health, as to expect, in a few months, to relinquish his claim upon the Fund, and resume parochial duty.

I record here, with very great satisfaction, a donation of \$1,000 (not included in the above,) placed in my hands by a liberal Churchman of another Diocese, who desires his name to be unknown; to be applied by me to the support of our Diocesan Missions.

With similar gratification I acknowledge the renewed benevolence of a Churchman of the Diocese; who, having for the last five years supplied the means of supporting two Missionaries, has extended his pious and munificent donation to a further period of five years more; thus contributing \$250 per year for ten years to our Diocesan Missions. Another pious Layman has sent me fifty dollars for Missions, as an installment of \$500 to be devoted to the advancement of the Church. May these examples of true Christian beneficence meet a due response of gratitude from ourselves; and incite to similar deeds of proportionate liberality those amongst us, on whom God has bestowed the treasures of this world!

During the year, there has been paid to the Treasurer the sum of \$225, on account of legacies of benevolent individuals to promote the interest of the Missions of the Church in this Diocese.

With these pious gifts, and the increased collections of the Churches, and the balance of \$500 still due from the Diocese of New York, we shall be empowered to maintain our Missionary establishment, without diminution, during the coming year. For all this let us humbly thank God, and take courage.

The Report of N. B. Kidder, Esq., the Trustee of the Permanent Missionary Fund of the Diocese, made to the Education and Missionary Board, shows, that there has been received from that Fund an aggregate of interest during the last year, amounting to \$679 88: and that the whole principal sum invested is \$10,205.

The collections for the month of January have been, as usual for the last three years, applied to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Board. The amount, together with some miscellaneous contributions, was about \$1,500.

The Report of the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate, will show, that, since the last Convention, a commencement has been made to an effort to enlarge its amount. It is understood, that about four thousand dollars have been subscribed by individuals, payable in four annual instalments; and that the first instalment of \$1,000 has been paid in, and invested. This result is owing mainly to the efforts of a zealous Layman, who has given much of his time to the object. It is hoped, that the enterprise will not be allowed to slumber for the want of efficient co-operation among the friends of the Church. I look above the temporary bearing of it upon myself, to its future and broader relations to the Diocese at large, when I express this hope, and commend the enterprise to the liberal patronage of the wealthier Churchmen

of this Diocese, as the only feasable mode of accomplishing an important object.

It is not to be supposed, that I have contemplated, without deep interest, the outward assaults and inward apprehensions, which, during the last year, have agitated the Church. When stript of their local, personal, and party relations; I can see nothing, as the real foundation of alarm, in either direction, and no reason to vary the opinion, expressed in my Address of last year, as to the soundness of the Church, and the perpetuation of her standards. day, as it passes, confirms the members of the Church, of all shades of opinion, in their attachment to the Holy Scriptures, as the rule of faith, and to the Prayer Book, as the authorised exposition of the doctrines, polity, and worship to be maintained by our branch of the Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church; in which we profess in the Creeds our belief. There has not breathed a desire to modify the Prayer Book from any responsible quarter of the . Church: but, on the contrary, every indication is given of most watchful determination to maintain inviolate that bulwark of the Church,—that illustrious monument of the wisdom, piety, and moderation, which characterised the English Reformation.

The tendency among Churchmen is to union, forbearance, and peace. Since the commencement of the present year, twenty-two Dioceses, extending from Maine to Illinois, have held their Annual Conventions; and, with but one or two exceptions, have transacted their business with unprecedented harmony, peace, and good order; such as, not only to call for devout gratitude to the Great Head of the Church for His overruling goodness; but to furnish a happy presage of the harmony, union, and peace, that, we should pray, may characterise the proceedings of the approaching General Convention, in the transaction of its important business.

It may relieve the apprehensions of some to be reminded, that there have always been three classes of Churchmen within our fold: viz., Churchmen from education, Churchmen from mere preference, and Churchmen from investigation and conviction.

The first class are they, who, born of Episcopal parentage, and nurtured in the Church, have become practically and habitually attached to her system; love her Prayer Book; attend her sanctuaries; and care not to know other systems, or to associate with them; and bring up their children to walk in the same long-tried and quiet paths. Such persons feel little interest in discussions, which relate to fundamental points of difference between the Church, and

others; and, satisfied with the system, as they have imbibed it, rather repudiate such investigations, and like not to insist upon the conclusions, to which they seem to lead.

The second class are they, who have entered the Church on grounds of expediency; who have tried other systems, and prefer ours; some, attracted by the liturgy; some, drawn by her orderly and devout services; some, by her steady ministrations; some, by incidental associations with her children; some, by her repudiation of exciting agencies, and reforming schemes; some, by her steady adherence to her principles; and some, because they have discovered ample reasons, for leaving their early religious associations, in real or supposed injuries received. Such persons have found, in the courts of the Church; what they desired;—a peaceful home, where they can worship, praise and pray, in quietness and comfort;—and with this they are content; postponing, or at least deeming of subordinate consequence, the enquiry, whether indeed "her foundations are upon the holy hills," and whether she be indeed "the city of God."

The third class comprises such, as, having been led to investigate the principles of the Church system, have adopted it, as matter of duty and obligation; resolving the whole into a question of conscience; looking at the faith and the ministry and the sacraments of the Gospel, through the Church of the gospel: and, with their eyes and their hearts fixed on its "One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God, and Father of us all," they shrink from whatever appears to invade the unity of the Church, whether in the shape of unscriptural concentration of the Papacy, or the equally unscriptural expansion, by subdivision and excess, of the Protestant bodies around them.

Recent discussions have doubtless greatly increased this class of Churchmen. Churchmen from education and Churchmen from expediency have been led to examine the points at issue between the Church and surrounding systems. The tone of feeling and assault without, and the discussions within, have driven them back upon first principles. They have looked into the deep foundations, on which the Church system reposes; and have found, that it is built, not on the shifting sands, but on a rock. And hence, some with a quiet step, and others with open avowals of sentiment and the energy of newly awakened feelings and views, have ranged themselves on the distinctive ground, hitherto unoccupied by them. They have become Churchmen from conviction: while, on the

other hand, many, from sundry causes and influences, have remained under the control of their former opinions; and care not to stand on higher ground, than personal attachment to the Church, and its clear expediency.

Now the Church has always held, within her ample embrace, these three classes of Churchmen; and been subject to the occasional internal agitation, arising from the discussion of their respective grounds of adherence to her doctrines, ministry, and worship. Neither class has hitherto been allowed to demand, that the views of the other classes should be conformed, in all respects, to its own; or to denounce, and seek to expel from the Church, those. who, receiving the same Scriptures, the same Prayer Book, and the same Creeds and Articles, do yet differ in regard to the grounds on which the Church system rests, the comparative value of doctrines or institutions, or the modes of expounding them. Their respective views and opinions have been discussed among themselves with more or less zeal, but still in entire consistency with the united adherence of all classes to the Church. As seen from without, such discussions would seem to portend division and disunion: and hence, from that quarter, come frequent predictions and earnest expectations of a fall. But, as the Great HEAD of the Church has hitherto overruled these differences of opinion, so that union has not been broken; as all parties are equally firm in their adherence to the Bible, as the Supreme Rule of Faith, and to the Prayer Book with its Creeds and Articles and Liturgy, as the Standard of doctrine; as the same classes have hitherto neither desired, nor aimed to exclude each other from the bosom of the Church; as all classes feel the pressure, arising from assaults without, and have been taught, by observation of others, the sad effects of ecclesiastical disruption: so may we believe most firmly, that the excitements and agitations in the Church will be withheld from producing separation; and that the wave of commotion, which has carried the Church upon its swelling bosom to such a height, is fast settling down to its accustomed level, and will leave her to pursue, on the quietness of an unruffled sea, her onward career of good to man, and glory to Gon.

As far as I can perceive, the outward assaults upon the Church do not impede her progress in this Diocese. My confirmations during the past year have been in advance of every former year of my Episcopate, except one. The contributions of the Diocese have increased. Individual donations have multiplied. A greater number of church edifices have been repaired and improved, than

in any former year. I cannot but notice a more devout and solemn interest, taken in the concerns of the Church by many; stricter attendance on her ordinances; greater solicitude to study and understand her true position and views; more confirmed and settled feelings of attachment to her standards; and, in a variety of forms, abundant evidence of a deepening conviction among her members, that, small as we are in numbers, and widely as we are stigmatized, "the gleaning of the grapes of Ephraim is" still "better than the vintage of Abiezer." What is needed on our part is increase of faith, self-denial, study, and vigilance; combined with firmness in upholding the truth, and forbearance under the cavils of prejudice and ignorance; "speaking the truth in love"; "obeying the truth from the heart"; "studying to be quiet and do our own business," each in his respective sphere; filling our own souls with deeper love of Christ the Saviour; seeking to be led by the Spirit in all things; and fighting the good fight of faith, not in the armor of a contentious spirit, nor with the instruments and agencies of earthly contrivance; but with the weapons of a warfare, that is not carnal, and in the spirit of that Almighty Captain, Who of old said through His Prophet to the terrified Israelites, "Stand still, and see the salvation of God"; and Who may be said now to proclaim to us, that " in quietness and assurance and love and peace and unity shall be your strength."

Let the Clergy and Laity, in their respective spheres, be faithful to themselves, faithful to the Church, and faithful to God; unmoved by exterior judgment and vituperation; cherishing mutual confidence, in working together for the good of Zion; absorbed in prayer, obedience, and vigilance; hearing and doing the will of God; that so there may be verified upon them the beautiful picture of the Gospel Church, as presented in the Acts of the Apostles, when, "walking in the fear of the Lord, and the comfort of the Holy Ghost, they were multiplied."

And now, Brethren, to the grace and guidance of God, our Saviour, I commend you all, in the duties which you are here to perform in the present council of His Church: fervently imploring Him to save us "from all error, ignorance, pride, and prejudice; and so to direct, sanctify, and govern us in our present work, by the mighty power of the Holy Ghost, that the comfortable Gospel of Christ may be truly preached, truly received, and truly followed, in all places, to the breaking down of the kingdom of Sin, Satan and Death," and to the substitution in its place of that "kingdom which shall never end."

W. H. DE LANCEY.

The House then proceeded to the election of a Treasurer of the Convention, and a Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen. A vote by ballot having been, in both cases, dispensed with;

CHARLES SEYMOUR, Esq.,

was unanimously elected Treasurer of the Convention; and

### Major James Rees

was unanimously elected Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen.

Ordered, That, when the House adjourn, it adjourn to meet at 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

The House thereupon adjourned.

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## THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 22, 9 o'clock.

The Convention met. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Tapping R. Chipman, assisted by the Rev. E. B. Foote, who read the lessons; after which the Bishop took the Chair.

The minutes of yesterday's meeting were read and approved.

On calling the names of absent members, the following clergymen, not present yesterday, answered to their names, and took their seats as members, viz: Rev. Charles G. Acley, James A. Bolles, Edward Bourns.

The Report of the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate was then presented; and, having been read, was, on motion, referred to the Standing Committee on the subject.

The Standing Committee on the admission of Churches into union with this Convention presented the following

### REPORT:

The Standing Committee on the admission of Churches into union with this Convention, would respectfully Report: That they have had before them one application, viz: from Christ Church, Albion, Orleans county; and that, the provisions of the Canon having been complied with, the said Church is entitled to admission.

The Committee, therefore, submit the following resolution:

Resolved, That Christ Church in Albion, Orleans county, be admitted into union with this Convention.

HENRY GREGORY,
VINCENT MATHEWS.

VINCENT MATHEWS, R. W. JULIAND.

On motion, this resolution was adopted.

The Standing Committee on the accounts of the Treasurer of the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen then presented the following

#### REPORT:

The Standing Committee on the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, to whom was referred the account of the Treasurer of said Fund, do certify and report:

That they have examined such, and compared it with the vouchers, furnished to the Treasurer, and find the same correct.

There was a balance in the Treasurer's hands, as per report of last year,	<b>\$205</b>	43
To this has been added a legacy, received from the executors of the late		
Miss Sally Northrop,	100	00
The contributions of 72 Parishes contributing thereto,	940	27
The amount collected at Convention in Auburn, last year,	40	22

Total amount,.....

In accordance with the order of the Trustees of the Fund, the Treasurer has paid

To two	disabled	Clergymen,	12 months'	allowance,	\$200 each,	<b>B</b> 400		
To four		"	66		\$150 each,	600		
To one	66	46	44	64	"	100		
To one	other	44	66	44	66	75	\$1175	00

The amount disbursed by the Treasurer is the same as that of the preceding year; while the collections, excluding the legacy of the late Miss Sally Northrop, have been less by \$124 61. It will be perceived, also, that the collections the past year are \$194 51 less than the disbursements; a circumstance which your Committee recom-HENRY E. ROCHESTER, Committee. mend to be made known to the several Parishes on the occasion of the annual collections.

JOSEPH JULIAND,

The Rev. Dr. Rudd, from the Special Committee on the subject of Mr. Throop's recital and resolutions, as adopted at the last Convention, presented the following

#### REPORT:

The Committee, to whom was referred the subject of the General Missionary Organization, respectfully recommend for the adoption of the Convention, the following resolution:

Resolved, That the subject of the General Missionary Organization, as presented at the last Convention in the recital and resolutions, (pages 49 and 50 of the Journal of 1843,) be referred to the Deputies to the General Convention, to be presented by them to that body, as they may deem proper. J. C. Rudd. Chairman.

On motion, this resolution was adopted.

The Committee on unfinished business reported, that there remained no such business, requiring the attention of the Convention.

The Standing Committee on the Report of the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate, presented the following

#### REPORT:

The Standing Committee on the Report of the Trustees of the Episcopate Fund respectfully Report: That there has been submitted to them the Annual Report of the Trustees for the last year, being their then Annual Report, deted August 1, 1844, and duly signed by a majority of the said Trustees, William B. Welles, John E. Hinman, and James Watson Williams. There has also been submitted to the Committee the Book of Minutes of the proceedings of the said Trustees, with the vouchers for all payments by the said Trustees, in conformity with a resolution of the last Convention.

From the examination of the Report of the said Trustees for the current year, now in the hands of the Convention, the Committee are of opinion that the Fund at present is safely invested. Since the date of the Annual Report of the Trustees, it appears from a letter, which has been submitted to the Committee, that the Trustees have received notice, that, within twenty days from the 19th day of August instant, \$20,000 of the principal of the Permanent Fund, which is past due by the terms of the securities on which the same was loaned, will be paid. This sum, when received. will, together with the sum of \$4,500 already paid in to the Trustees, as stated in their Annual Report, and not yet invested, amount to \$24,500 of the Permanent Fund.

In order to invest the same according to the requisition of section 2d of Canon XIII. some time must necessarily elapse in seeking suitable borrowers, and making the necessary investigations as to title, and the sufficiency of the security which may be offered. In the mean time it is desirable, that these moneys should be yielding an income.

The Committee, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the said Report of the Trustees of the 1st of August, 1844, be filed with the Secretary of the Standing Committee for safe keeping, and published without the appendix, as suggested in said Report.

Resolved. That the Trustees be authorized to deposit all moneys, which they may from time to time receive, whether by new contributions or by the payment of loans falling due, in some safe Bank, to the credit of the President and Secretary of the Board, at such rate of interest as can be obtained therefor; until the said Trustees can permanently invest the said moneys according to the requirements of the second section of Canon XIII.

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to furnish the Board of Trustees with a certified copy of the foregoing resolutions.

Respectfully submitted.

GEORGE B. WEBSTER, Committee.

On motion, these resolutions were adopted.

#### REPORT

#### Of the Trustees of the Fund for the Support of the Episcopate.

e President of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Dia of Western New York:

In conformity with the fifth section of the 13th Canon of the Church, "The Trustees for the management and care of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Diocese of Western New York," respectfully Report: That the principal of the Permanent Fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Diocese of Western New York, as it stood on the 4th day of September, 1843, at which time the securities were transferred to the present Board of Trustees, amounted to the sum of \$35,500, all of which was at that time secured by bonds and mortgages.

A schedule of the present securities held by the Trustees, together with a statement in detail of the property upon which the Fund is secured, will be found in the annexed paper marked A.\*

<sup>\*</sup> The paper, to which here and elsewhere in this report reference is made, is on file with the Secretary of the Standing Committee. See first resolution in preceding report.

The interest upon the Fund is payable semi-annually; viz., on the 1st day of May and 1st day of November, in each year.

The same received by the Trustees for such interest within the year ending August

1st, 1844, have been as follows, viz:

These sums have been paid over by the Trustees to the Bishop of the Diocese, as

will appear by his receipts marked B C, hereunto attached.

Of that part of the Permanent Fund which was loaned and secured by mortgage in the city of New York, the sum of \$4,500 of principal, has been repaid to the Trustees, (since the payment of interest on the 1st day of May last,) viz: on the 7th day of June, 1844: and that the money might not remain entirely unproductive, until it could be again safely invested on bond and mortgage, the Trustees obtained the consent of the Bank of Utica to receive the sum in deposit on interest, at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum, until the Trustees should be able to thus invest the amount in conformity with the 13th Canon of the Church.

Arrangements have since been made to lend this sum, viz: \$4,500, in the county of Fulton, in this State, upon ample security, (viz: bond and mortgage upon upwards of 500 acres of valuable farms.) And it is expected that the whole Fund will very soon be again producing 7 per cent. interest per annum.

The abundance of capital, seeking investment during the past year, has caused it to be more than ordinarily difficult to invest sums of money safely, where they should produce 7 per cent. per annum; and consequently more delay than is usual has occurred in investing such sums as have come into the hands of the Trustees for that purpose.

After the adjournment of the last Convention of the Diocese, an effort was made by a number of gentlemen residing within the Diocese to increase the Permanent Fund, by voluntary subscriptions, to the extent of Ten Thousand Dollars; to the end that the interest upon the Fund might give to the Bishop such an increase of income as should enable him to meet certain unavoidable expenses, (for rent of a dwelling house, postage, &cc.,) to which he is exposed, without impairing the sum appropriated by the Convention for his support.

Subscription papers were circulated in several of the Western Parishes in the Diocese, and subscriptions were obtained (it is understood) to the extent of about \$4,000, payable in annual instalments of 25 per cent. each.

The Trustees have received from gentlemen holding subscriptions the sum of \$1,027 70, as per list marked D, hereunto annexed.

Of this amount, the Trustees have loaned at five years, upon the bond and mortgage of Peter T. Fowler, of Deerfield, Oneida county, the sum of \$1,000; the interest on which, at 7 per cent. per annum, is payable semi-annually, viz: on the 1st day of May and 1st day of November in each year. The security for this loan is a farm in Deerfield, about three miles from the city of Utica, certified by three judicious persons, (selected by the Trustees agreeably to the 2d section of the 13th Canon,) to be worth \$2,765.

The small balance of money received by the Trustees as above stated, viz: \$27 70, remains in their hands uninvested.

The interest upon this addition to the Permanent Fund will, after the present year, increase the income of the Bishop seventy dollars per annum.

The 4th section of the 13th Canon provides: that, "for the purpose of increasing the present Fund, such portions of the monthly contributions of the Diocese, as may be given or appropriated for that purpose, shall be paid to the Trustees, to be invested by them for accumulation, until the further order of the Convention."

The Trustees have since received as follows, viz:

Jan. 1, 1844—Interest on bond and mortgage 6 months,		<b>37</b>
several Churches within the Diocese,	32	15
July 9,1844—Interest on bond and mortgage 6 months,		
In all,	<b>B</b> 90	32
Out of which the Trustees have paid for the cost of a corporate seal,	2	<b>50</b>
Leaving in their hands,	<b>B</b> 87	82
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Complaints have been made to the Trustees by some of the persons who are the borrowers of the money composing the Fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Diocese of Western New York, that the annual publication of the names of the debtors, in the report of the proceedings of the Convention, is disagreeable, and may be prejudicial to the debtors: and, as "a full and detailed statement of the securities" was, by a resolution of the Convention on the 17th of August, 1843, required to be presented by the Trustees to the present Convention, the Trustees have deemed it proper to make such statement separately from their Report; that it may be conveniently omitted, in the publication of the proceedings, if the Convention shall choose so to order.

W. B. Welles,

Dated August 1, 1844.

Jno. E. Hinman, J. Watson Williams.

The Rev. Mr. Whipple, from the Committee on the subject of the General Theological Seminary, presented the following

#### REPORT:

To the President of the Convention of the Diocese of Western New York:

The Committee, appointed at the last annual Convention on so much of the Bishop's Address as related to the General Theological Seminary, respectfully Report:

I. That, inasmuch as the subject, then alluded to in said Address, is now in the hands of a Committee, appointed by the Board of Trustees of said Seminary, hereafter to report, your Committee deem it inexpedient at the present time to enter into any investigation of the matters, thus referred to them.

II. In relation to the subject of the number of Trustees of said Seminary to which this Diocese is entitled, referred also to your Committee, they report, that this Diocese is entitled to nineteen Trustees, to wit: to one as a Diocese; to five by virtue of the \$10,000 allowed Western New York, as her share of the funds, which had been contributed in the State at the time of the division of the Diocese; and to thirteen on account of the whole number of Clergy in the Diocese, which is 104—one being allowed for every eight clergymen: That two vacancies have occurred by the removal of the Rev. Dr. Whitehouse and the Rev. C. S. Hawks, leaving fifteen Trustees now representing this Diocese. Consequently this Convention is allowed to nominate four additional Trustees of said Seminary; and your Committee therefore recommend such nomination.

Respectfully submitted.

August 22, 1844.

Phineas L. Whipple, Henry Gregory, J. G. Swift, G. B. Webster.

On motion,

Resolved, That the recommendations, contained in the first paragraph of this report, be adopted.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Rudd,

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed to recommend to this Convention the names of nineteen persons, to be nominated by the Convention as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Rudd, Rev. Messrs. Whipple and Swart, and Messrs. Webster and Benjamin, as that Committee.

The Bishop, in behalf of the Standing Committee, as the Education and Missionary Board of the Diocese, presented the following

#### REPORT:

The Education and Missionary Board submit to the Convention their Annual Report.

During the past year the Diocese has had, in its Missionary department, the services, for longer or shorter periods of time, of forty-three Missionaries; and the actual expense of the establishment for this Missionary year, i. e. from October to October, including, of course, liabilities to the 1st of October next, will amount to about \$3,650.

Compelled to reduce the stipends in some instances, and apprehensive lest they might become embarrassed by any attempts to multiply stations, the Board have rather sought to sustain existing spheres of exertion, than to enlarge the boundaries of their labors.

At present the number of Missionaries is 41, and the stations 44.

Regular services have been held at Ovid, Seneca county; and it is contemplated also to establish at Mission at Albion, Orleans county, where already the services of the Church have been commenced.

Sundry changes have occurred during the year in the positions of the Missionaries, which it is unnecessary to record; and some of the stations, in consequence of the weakness of the Churches, have remained long vacant.

Four persons have been aided from the Education Fund.

It is a matter of joy and gratitude, that the funds of the Diocese, for its Missions and other Church objects, are on the increase. The Report of the Treasurer will show, that the contributions of the churches, by collection and donation, exceed by \$1,100, the amount contributed last year. The whole sum raised in the Diocese, (exclusive of legacies) is \$4,240; of which, the amount of \$3,496 is from collections in churches, and the balance, \$744, from donations. Besides this sum, some eight hundred dollars (as far as ascertained) raised in this Diocese, have not passed through the hands of its officers on their way to the objects aided, making the whole amount raised, including the Christmas Fund of \$980 49, about \$6,000.

The general balance, now in the hands of the Treasurer, (\$2,249) comprehends a balance due to Missionaries unpaid of \$211; also \$200 appropriated to beneficiaries for the coming year, and \$300 to contingent expenses of Convention, from General Fund; the funds specially appropriated by the donors, and also the balances due to specific Church objects, not yet forwarded, and not of course available for Diocesan purposes.

The sum of \$280 has been received from the Treasurer of the Central Bible and Prayer Book Society, and applied to the purchase of Prayer Books. The principal invested has not yet been transferred; but it is believed, that the requisite legal papers will be soon made out, and the funds transferred.

The Permanent Missionary Fund, as reported by the Trustee, N. B. Kidder, Esq., has yielded the sum of \$679 88 as interest. Of the principal, the sum of \$1,200 has been paid off and reinvested by the Treasurer at 7 per cent. The whole principal amounts to \$10,205. The report is hereto appended. A small balance of interest, \$197, is still due.

With the amount on hand, and the prospects before them, the Board are happy to say, that they do not anticipate any necessity of further reduction of stipends the coming year.

The Board deem it unnecessary to repeat what the Parochial and Missionary

Reports to the Convention will show, as evidence of the efficiency of the labors of the Missionaries; but close with commending both the labors and the cause to the prayers of Churchmen, and the blessing of a gracious God and Saviour.

Respectfully submitted.

By order of the Board,

August 20th, 1844.

W. H. De Lancey, Chairman,

## Diocese of Western New York, in account with N. B. Kidder, Trustee, &c.

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		\$70, remitted C. Seymour,	\$161	00	161	90
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•		gage, principal and interest,			1470	68
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		of O. & Lex. R. R. Co. \$150, remitted by	3			
		C. Seymour,	162	25	162	25
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66	••	17.—By amount of legacy from Mrs. Ledyard,	ļ	1	55	00
66	June	13.—To cash loaned Hugh Rippey,	300	00	,	
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		ted Chas. Seymour,	91	00	91	00
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To the Rt. Rev. William H. De Lancey, Chairman of the Education and Missionary Board in the Diocese of Western New York:

DEAR SIR: I herewith send you a copy of my account as Trustee of the Permanent Missionary Fund of the Diocese for the past year. Also a list of the securities held by me in trust, which are as follows:

Names of Mortgagors.	Residence.	Amount.	When int. pa	yabie.	Rate.	int. now	due ud.
R. W. Wortendyck,	New York,	\$2,600	18th Apr. &	Oct.	7	 	
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Hugh Rippey,	"	300	æ	66	"	}}	
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The half year's interest, due from the Lexington and Ohio Rail Road Company on the 1st instant, has not yet been paid to their Agent in New York, but is expected soon.

I am very respectfully and truly,
Your ob't. serv't,

Geneva, July 30th, 1844.

N. B. KIDDER.

The Standing Committee on the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention presented, with the same audited, the following

#### REPORT:

The Committee, appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention, Report: That they have examined the said accounts, and find them generally correct, and agreeing with the books and vouchers: and the Committee take pleasure in bearing testimony to the great accuracy and fidelity with which the duties of the Treasurer have been performed. In the case of a few items of disbursement, warrants for the payment were not produced, nor proper legal youchers; and although the Committee have entire confidence, that the money in every instance has been rightly applied, yet, for the security of the Treasurer and to prevent future misconstructions, as well as to require a proper responsibility from all agents of the Convention, it is deemed by your Committee to be very important, that the Missionaries and Beneficiaries, when drawing upon the Treasurer, should, in every case, send a draft or other proper voucher; and that the Secretaries of the Standing Committee and the Missionary and Education Board should in each quarter make out, and forward to the Treasurer, a list of all Beneficiaries and Missionaries, together with the amounts severally due to them; which list, when duly certified by the Secretary, shall be the Treasurer's warrant to disburse the money.

The Committee would also refer to a spurious Bank note of two dollars on the Book, and charged by the Treasurer as having been received by him at the Convention. The Committee are of the opinion, that the item is a proper one, and should be allowed to the Treasurer.

ROBERT C. NICHOLAS.

S. A. Goodwin, Sam. G. Andrews.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT:

## The Convention of the Diocese of Western New York, in account with Charles Seymour, Treasurer.

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The foregoing balance comprises the respective balances of accounts as follows, viz:

Episcopate Fund,  Expenses of Convention,  Diocesan Missions—of this balance there is due to Missionaries, \$211,15,  Miscellaneous,  Central Bible and Prayer Book,  General Fund,  Domestic Missions,  Foreign Missions,  Theological Seminary,  Bible and Prayer Books,  Tracts,	500 500 107 180 1,988 13 14	17 21 00	
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On motion of Rev. Mr. Eigenbrodt, it was

Resolved, That, in compliance with Canon VIII, a Committee be appointed "to assist the Bishop in preparing a report of the state of the Church in this Diocese, and a list of the Clergy," to be presented to the approaching General Convention.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Rudd,

Resolved, That the Secretaries of this Convention be appointed that Committee.

The Rev. Stephen Douglass appeared and took his seat.

The hour having arrived for the election of the Standing Committee and Deputies to the General Convention;

Mr. Whittlesey offered the following resolution; which was seconded:

Resolved, That the House proceed to the election by separate ballots; first, to that of the Standing Committee, and then to that of Deputies to the General Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Eigenbrodt, this resolution was laid upon the table.

The House then proceeded to the election by one ballot, as contemplated by section 2d of Canon XII.; Mr. Chester Griswold and the Rev. Mr. Ingersoll being appointed by the Rt. Rev. President as tellers to receive the votes of the Clergy, and the Rev. Dr. Wayland and Mr. Samuel G. Andrews to receive the votes of the Laity.

On counting the votes it appeared, that the following persons had received a majority of all the votes given, and were therefore declared duly elected.

### STANDING COMMITTEE:

Rev. J. C. Rudd, D. D.,

" Benjamin Hale, D. D.,

" William Shelton, D. D.,

" William Croswell,

Messrs. Wm. C. Pierrepont,

" Robert C. Nicholas,

" Prof. H. Webster,

" Major J. Rees.

### DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION:

Rev. P. A. Proal, D. D.,

" Henry Gregory,

" John V. Van Ingen,

" James A. Bolles,

Messrs. Jonas Earl, Jr.,

" C. H. Carroll,

" David Hudson.

" Geo. B. Webster.

The Committee on the nomination of Trustees for the General Theological Seminary recommended the following names:—

The Rev. William Shelton, D. D., John McCarty, Benjamin Hale, D. D., J. C. Rudd, D. D., Leverett Bush, D. D., John V. Van Ingen, Phineas L. Whipple, Henry Gregory, William Croswell, Messrs. Joseph Juliand, Thomas H. Hubbard, Thomas H. Rochester, George B. Webster, Robert C. Nicholas, Jonas Earl, Jr., John E. Hinman, William C. Pierrepont, Timothy Fitch, H. K. Sanger.

### On motion,

Resolved, That the above named persons be recommended to the General Convention, as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary on the part of this Diocese.

The Rev. Dr. Judd, seconded by the Rev. Mr. Wheeler, offered the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That the Bishop be requested to appoint as many travelling Missionaries in this Diocese, as he may think expedient.

Resolved, That the Church will make every reasonable effort to sustain such Missionaries; and that, as means to that end, annual collections in all the Churches on Good-Friday are recommended; and individual contributions are requested from all who feel a sympathy for Christ's sheep, that are dispersed abroad, and for His children suffering for the means of grace.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Whipple,

Resolved, That the subject of these resolutions be referred to the Education and Missionary Board of the Diocese.

On motion,

Resolved, That the reading of the Parochial Reports be dispensed with, and that they be appended to the Journal of the Convention.

On motion,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the congregation of Trinity Church, Geneva, and other citizens of the village, for the hospitality so generously extended to its members during the the present session: and that the Rector of said Church be requested to give publicity to this resolution in such way, as he may deem expedient.

On motion.

Resolved, That fifteen hundred copies of the Journal be printed and distributed in the usual manner.

The minutes of the day were then read and approved; and the House, on motion, resolved to adjourn after the usual exercises. Whereupon the Convention, after a short address from the Bishop, united in appropriate prayers from the liturgy; and, having received his blessing, adjourned sine die.

Signed by order of the Convention,

WILLIAM HEATHCOTE DE LANCEY, D. D.,

Bishop of the Diocese of Western New York,

Attest,

and President of the Convention.

JOHN V. VAN INGEN, Secretary pro tem.

PIERRE ALEXIS PROAL, D. D. Secretary.

WILLIAM E. EIGENBRODT, Assistant Secretary.

# APPENDIX.

### No. I.

# Parochial and Missionary Reports.

#### ALLEGANY COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Angelica; the Rev. Lewis Thibou, Jr., Rector.

Congregation...Families 43, (adults 145, children 78,) total number of individuals 223; baptisms...infants 6; communicants...admitted 3, died 2, removed 1, present number 74; marriage 1; burials 8; public services...on Sundays 90, on other days 12, total 102; the Holy Communion publicly administered 11 times; Sunday Schools... number of schools 1, teachers, (male 1, female 2,) total 3—pupils, (male 10, female 15,) total 25.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

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For General Fund for Church objects,	123	41
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:	r	
For Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	817	00
" The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church	r -	
in the United States: Domestic Missions,	4	37
" Parochial objects,		
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Services have been held on four Sundays in the village of Cuba, where the prospects for the formation of a Church seem favorable. A service has also been held in the village of Philipsville, in the afternoon of the first Sunday in each month, with one or two exceptions.

St. Mark's Church, Hunt's Hollow; the Rev. Henry S. ATT-WATER, Rector and Missionary.

Congregation...families 53, (adults 147, children 103,) total number of individuals 250; baptisms...infants 3; communicants...(admitted 2, received 5,) total added 7, died 3, removed 5, present number 87; marriages 3; burials 4; public services...on Sundays 111, on other days 16, total number of services 127; the Holy Communion publicly administered on the first Sunday of each month, and the festivals of Christmas, Easter and Whitsunday; children catechised...number of children about 20, number of times 8; Sunday schools...number of schools 1, teachers about 9, pupils about 40.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1, 1843, to August 1, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

F	or Diocesan Missions,	22	50
	General Fund for Church objects,		
The fo	llowing sums have also been collected for other objects, viz: or Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church		
	in the United States: Domestic Missions,	2	00
•	Parochial objects		
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On the first Sunday of this month, your Missionary will terminate his labors in this Parish; in which he will be immediately succeeded by the Rev. Lucius Carter. It is gratifying to your Missionary to be able to add, that he leaves the Parish in a state of general prosperity. For, although extremely feeble in pecuniary ability, and that ability diminished by recent deaths and removals, yet this will, in some measure, be counterbalanced by the accession of several families which have lately removed into this neighborhood, and who will give their attendance and support at St. Mark's Church, Hunt's Hollow.

#### BROOME COUNTY.

Christ Church, Binghamton; the Rev. J. J. Robertson, D. D., Rector.

Congregations...families 72, (adults 205, children 76,) total number of individuals 281; baptisms...infants 5; confirmed 15; communicants...(admitted 5, received 7,) total added 12, removed 3, present number 80; marriage 1; burials 2; public services...on Sundays 76, other days 88, total number of services 164; the Holy Communion publicly administered 10 times; children catechised...number of children 55, number of times 32; Sunday schools...number of schools 1, teachers, (male 3, female 7,) total 10, pupils, (male 26, female 25,) total 51.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions,	<b>2</b> 10	00
" General Fund for Church objects,	<b>37</b>	00
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:		
For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	.28	00
"The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church		
in the United States: Domestic Missions,	17	00
" Foreign Missions,		
" Parochial objects,		
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My connection with this Parish, as its Rector, dates from 1st Oct. 1843; but I have been actually in charge of it only since my arrival, the 20th of that month. The above report, therefore, relates to a period of only about nine months. The number of families and individuals is only an approximate statement, though, I believe, nearly correct. The Sunday school has been only lately commenced, and, in consequence of its establishment, there has been a great falling off in attendance upon the catechetical exercise. Of those confirmed, one was from another Parish, Guilford. The Church has been opened for public service twice each Lord's Day, and also on the Litary days every week, and on all the festivals and fasts, including the Ember days. On all these occasions there has been either a sermon or lecture. About one-fifth of the monies received is from one who is unwilling that the left hand should know what the right hand doeth. I am personally indebted to the same source for much liberality.

A collection has been made at the Offertory every Lord's Day morning, at the close of the sermon.

The connection between the present Rector and the Parish will probably soon terminate in consequence of pecuniary difficulties, which, he hopes, may only prove temporary. A strong and united effort to relieve the Church from its present liabilities would conduce greatly to the future prosperity of the Parish.

St. Luke's Church, Harpersville; the Rev. Asa Griswold, Missionary.

Congregation...families 34, total number of individuals about 145; Baptisms... adults 2; confirmed 11; communicants...admitted 3, present number 49; marriages 2; burials 5; public services...on Sundays 119, on other days 4, total number of services 123; Sunday schools 1, teachers, (male 1, female 3,) total 4; pupils...(male 5, female 16,) total 21.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions, \$13 27

" Christmas Fund, 4 60
" Domestic Missions, 3 71

Total, \$20 98

The condition of the Parish, as to numbers, continues much the same as stated in the report for 1843.

Zion Church, Windsor; the Rev. Asa Griswold, Missionary.

Congregation...families 17; baptisms...(adults 3, children 6,) total 9; confirmed 5; communicants...admitted 3, received 1, total added 4, died 1, present number 10; marriage 1, burial 1; public services...on Sundays 13.

In this Parish, which is yet in its infancy, the congregation is small, but devoutly attentive to the worship and services of the Church. Arrangements have been made by this Parish and that of St. Luke's, Harpersville, so as to give to the former one-fourth of the services of the Missionary.

Services in this Parish by the Rev. J. V. Van Ingen before his resignation of the Rectorship...Sundays 4, Weekday 1; communion 1; baptized 2; communicants... added 3; catechizing 1.

### CATTARAUGUS COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Ellicottville; the Rev. Thomas Morris, Rector.

Congregation...families 36, total number of individuals about 150; communicants... received 1, removed 5, present number 40; marriages 4, burials 4; public services... no record; the Holy Communion publicly administered 6 times; Sunday schools... number of schools 1, teachers, (male 3, female 2,) total 5; pupils...(male 10, females 15,) total 25.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Nothing marked has occurred in this congregation during the past year; and yet I am persuaded that the services of the sanctuary have not been in vain; and I hope that, before long, their effects will be visible.

## St. Stephen's Church, Olean; the Rev. Thomas Morris, Rector.

Congregation...families 19, total number of individuals about 50; baptisms...infants 2; communicants 21; burial 1; public services...no record; the Holy Communion publicly administered 4 times; Sunday schools 1, teachers, (male 2, female 2,) total 4; pupils...(male 10, female 15,) total 25.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appro-

printed as follows, viz:

This congregation, through the causes mentioned last year, still continues weak; but yet, I think, there are some more signs of returning prosperity.

I have also during the past year officiated several times at Cuba, Allegany county, and the prospect of organizing a Church is at present very promising.

#### CAYUGA COUNTY.

# St. Peter's Church, Auburn; the Rev. WILLIAM CROSWELL, Rector.

Congregation...families 102, (adults 290, children 184,) total number of individuals 474; baptisms...adults 1, infants 14, total 15; confirmed 6; communicants... admitted 4, received 7, total added 11, died 3, removed 7, present number 135; marriages 3, burials 5; Sunday school 1, teachers, (male 4, female 8,) total 12; pupils... (male 20, female 40,) total 60.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appro-

priated as follows, viz:

For General Fund for Church objects,	25
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:  For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	06
the United States: Domestic Missions,	00
" Parochial objects,	
Total,	31

## St. Paul's Church, Aurora.

# [There is no report from this Parish.]

## St. Matthew's Church, Moravia; the Rev. Beardsley North-Rop, Missionary.

Congregation...families 38; baptisms...adults 6, infants 3, total 9; confirmed 11; communicants...admitted 8, removed 3, present number 52; marriages 3, burials 4; public services...on Sundays 108, on other days 15, total number of services 123; the Holy Communion publicly administered 8 times; children catechised...number

of children 34, number of times 6; Sunday schools 1, teachers, (male 3, female 4,) total 7; pupils...(male 14, female 20,) total 34.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1848, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appro-

priated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions,	<b>8</b> 2	00
" Prayer Books,	~ 2	37
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:		
For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	2	00
" the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in		
the United States: Domestic Missions,	2	00
" Parochial objects,		

Since my last report, nearly two-thirds of my services have been given to the Parish of St. Matthew's, Moravia; officiating the other part of my time principally in

McLean and Genoa.

The Parish of St. Matthew's continues steadfast in the doctrines of the Church, and attentive to her services; and has now a greater number of communicants than at any former period. But owing to the expense of rebuilding their Church, removals, and other circumstances, they are not now as able to sustain the services of a Clergyman, as when the present incumbent took charge of the station.

### St. Paul's Church, Montezuma.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

#### · CHAUTAUQUE COUNTY.

### St. Peter's Church, Forrestville.

[There is no report from this Parish, except that contained in the close of the following.]

# Trinity Church, Fredonia; the Rev. Thomas P. Tyler, Rector.

Congregation...families about 45; baptisms...(adults 13, infants 21,) total 34; communicants...admitted 3, received 2, total added 5, removed 2, present number 40; marriages 6, burials 5; public services...on Sundays 88, on other days 4, total 92; the Holy Communion publicly administered 9 times. The catechetical instruction of the children is regularly attended to by the Rector.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appro-

priated as follows, viz:

For the General Fund for Education and Missions,	7	55
The following sums have been collected for other objects, viz:		
For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	7 (	00
" the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church		
	_	00
" Parochial objects 40	) (	00
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The above report embraces the nine months only of the year, during which I have had charge of the Parish. It is necessarily imperfect, owing to the peculiar position, in which I found the congregation. Parochial matters had fallen into much confusion, since my venerable predecessor, the Rev. Lucius Smith, was disabled by sickness from the active duties of the ministry. If, as we have good reason to believe, every thing now looks favorably for future prosperity, it is mainly to be attributed, under God, to his wisely directed labors for the past ten years.

I have recently accepted an invitation from the vestry of St. Peter's Church, For-restville, to take charge of that Parish, vacant by the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Campbell, and to officiate for them on the eve of each Lord's Day. This I have done for six weeks successively, and have baptized one infant there, included in the above report.

St. Luke's Church, Jamestown; the Rev. H. Hollis, late Missionary.

Baptisms...infants 2; public services 7.

Of the above services, your Missionary performed but a small part, having officiated but once, for the want of a place of worship. The remainder of the services and baptisms were performed by the kindness of Rev. P. P. Kidder, of the Diocese of Connecticut, and by the request of the Missionary. It is thought, that the prospects are improving for the full establishment of the Church at Jamestown.

St. James' Church, La Grange, not yet admitted into union with the Convention; the Rev. Robert Campbell, Missionary.

Congregations...families 22, (adults 45, children 66,) total number of individuals 123; baptisms...infants 2; communicants...received 2, died 2, removed 2, present number 11; marriage 1, burials 4; public services...on Sundays 194, on other days 9, total number of services 113; the Holy Communion publicly administered 3 times.

The following sum has been collected, viz:

Nothing has occurred, since my last report, seriously to retard our progress here, but the death of our senior Warden, Mr. Blakesley; a man ardently attached to the Church, in the bosom of which he was born and educated; well qualified, from his early training, to induce others to come into the true fold of Christ; and who, by his exemplary conduct, held up a pattern to others to walk as he walked.

I have continued to preach in LaGrange, Silver Creek, and Forrestville alternately until the 23d of June last, when my services ceased in Forrestville: and since that

time they have been exclusively given to Silver Creek and La Grange.

St. Paul's Church, Mayville; the Rev. H. Hollis, late Missionary.

Congregation...families from 12 to 25, individuals from 50 to 160; baptisms...infants 1; communicants...admitted 1, died 1, removed 1, present number 21; burials 4; public services...on Sundays 82, on other days 4, total number 86; Sunday schools...number of schools 1, teachers 4; pupils, (male 12, female 15,) total 27.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appro-

priated as follows, viz:

For	Church	objects.		• • • • • • • •	••••		···· }	3	70
66	Bibles an	d Pray	er Boo	ks,			-	1	00
						her objects, vi			
For	Christma	s Fund	for di	sabled Cle	rgymen.	••••	••••	2	00
•	Domestic	: Missi	ons				••••	2	<b>30</b>
"	Charity	and co	ntinge	ncies				19	35
44	Parochia	lobiect	s by L	adies soci	et <b>v</b>	• • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • •	55	00
<b>64</b>	66	"				5,			
66	"	"	"			•••••••			

Total..... \$121 35

The above report ends July 7th, the date of my relinquishment of the station. I wish, that I could report more favorably of the spiritual state of the Parish than the above indicates. Toward the people of the Parish I can entertain nought but the kindest feelings; but the apathy, which rests upon the greater portion, is truly painful. The report of familes embraces two classes; the first, those who take an interest in the Parish, and attend the services with more or less regularity; the second, those

who seldom attend her services, and who manifest little or no interest, either in her temporal or spiritual prosperity. The Parish and late Missionary are deeply indebted to the zeal and benevolence of one individual, a communicant of St. Paul's.

## St. Peter's Church, Westfield; the Rev. C. B. Stout, late Rector.

Congregation...families 36, including those in Quincy, (adults 100, children 60,) total number of individuals, 160; communicants...removed 5, received 1, present number 54; marriage 1; burials 2, and 1 at Erie, Pa.; public services...2 every Sunday except 3, when the Rector was absent, and 1 when he had a severe affliction in his family, on Holy days 6; children catechised monthly in public; Sunday school closed during the winter, and not resumed when he left.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made, and left with

the Wardens to appropriate and forward.

The above report extends from the last Convention to Easter-day, at which time

the Rector resigned.

In ability to sustain regular services, this Parish has lost by removals, &c. Two or three families have removed during the year. The late Rector would do injustice to his feelings and the Parish, not to say, that the separation was made with regret on both sides.

#### CHEMUNG COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Big Flatts.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. John's Church, Catherines.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

Trinity Church, Elmira; the Rev. W. VAN ZANDT, Rector.

Congregation...families 83, (adults 244, children 138,) total number of individuals 382; baptisms...adults 11, infants 6, total 17; confirmed 26; communicants...admitted 31, received 7, total added 38, died 1, removed 3, present number 92; marriages 3, burial 1; public services...on Sundays 59, on other days 18, total number of services 77; the Holy Communion publicly administered 6 times; children catechised... number of children 40, number of times 14; Sunday schools 1, teachers, (male 3, female 6,) total 9; pupils...(male 30, female 36,) total 66.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appro-

priated as follows, viz:

For Tracts,	23	25
" General Fund for Church objects,		
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:		
For Parochial objects,	236	85
" Sunday school,		
Total	9201	<u> </u>

The present incumbent entered upon the duties of this Parish, as Rector, on Ash-Wednesday last; and, therefore, the above report embraces a period of six months only. He was received by the whole congregation with every mark of cordiality, respect, and affection. The interior of the Church edifice has been re-arranged, by which more sittings, (now greatly needed) have been gained. No collection was made for 'disabled Clergymen,' in consequence of the Church being closed on Christmas day.

The register gives the following statistics, for the six months previous, during the Rectorship of the Rev. Mr. Douglass, viz: baptisms...(adults 2, infants 3,) total 5;

communicants...admitted 1, received 4; burials 2; 1 infant baptised by Rev. Mr. Watson, and 1 infant by Rev. Mr. Jones.

### St. James' Church, Jefferson.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

#### CHENANGO COUNTY.

St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge; the Rev. JAMES JAY OKILL, Rector.

Congregation...families 37, (adults 150, children 52,) total number of individuals 202; baptisms...adults 5, infants 5, total 10; confirmed 4; communicants...admitted 6, removed 2, present number 67; marriages 3; burials 2; public services...on Sundays 107, on other days 8, total number of services 115; the Holy Communion publicly administered 7 times; children catechised...number of children 22, number of times 10; Sunday schools...number of schools 1, teachers, (male 2, female 6,) total 8; pupils...(male 15, female 19,) total 34,

The monthly collections required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appro-

priated as follows, viz:

For expenses of Convention,	2	75
" General Fund for Church objects,		
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:	_	
For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	6	00
" Parochial objects,	24	
In Wardens' hands,		70
Total	147	74

[The following is the report of this Parish for the year ending August 16, 1843. Though sent at the proper time, it was prevented from then arriving. It is therefore now here inserted.

St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge; the Rev. James JAY OKILL, Rector.

Baptisms..infants 1; communicants..admitted 3, received 1, total added 4, died 1, present number 67; burials 5; public services..on Sundays 64, on other days 15, total number of services 79; children catechised..number of children 30, number of times 8; Sunday schools..gumber of schools 1, teachers, (male 2, female 6,) total 8; pupils.. (male 7, female 28,) total 35.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriat-

ed as follows, viz:

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For D	Diocesan Missions,	8 5	19
66	" Education,*		00
« E	expenses of the Convention,		56
	Sibles and Prayer Books,		00
	Tacts,		11
" C	hristmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	7	00
The follow	ing sums have also been collected for other objects, vix:		
	he Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church		
	he United States: Domestic Missions		50
	Total	236	28

The present Rector assumed the charge of this Parish on the 12th of Dec. last.]

This amount may be or may not be correct. It is believed, however, to have been the amount collected.

### Trinity Church, Coventry.

Statistics included in the report of the Rector of Zion Church, Greene; who has held in this Parish, Sunday services 1, Weekday 3, administered the Holy Communion twice, catechised children 3 times.

# Zion Church, Greene; the Rev. Alfred Loudenback, Rector.

Congregation. families 74, (adults 210, children 165,) total number of individuals 375; baptisms. adults 5, infants 13, total 18; communicants 5, died 3, removed 2, excommunicated 1, present number 99; burials 5; public services... on Sandays 64, on other days 26, total number of services 90; the Holy Communion publicly administered 9 times; children catechised... openly in the Church 8 times, in the Sunday school by the Rector 17, in the Parish 4.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to Easter, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions, by an individual,	<b>\$</b> 50	00
"Increase of the Episcopate Fund.	5	00
" General Fund for Church objects	. 26	54
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:		
For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen.	. 15	00
" the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in	n	
the United States: Domestic Missions,	. 4	71
" Parochial objects,	. 90	00
Total	4101	

The above report gives the statistics of the Parish up to April 15th, 1844; at which time the resignation of the late Rector, the Rev. J. V. Van Ingen, took effect.

# Christ Church, Guilford.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

Grace Church, Mount Upton.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. Andrew's Church, New Berlin; the Rev. Andrew Hull, Rector.

Congregation. families 56, (adults I61, children 110,) total number of individuals 271; baptisms..adults 5, infants 18, total 23; confirmed 20; communicants..admitted 7, died 5, removed 2, present number 62; marriages 6; burials 11; public services..on Sundays 106, on other days 17, total number of services I23; the Holy Communion publicly administered 10 times; children catechised..number of children 54, number of times 5; Sunday schools..number of schools 1, teachers, (male 5, female 7,) total 12; pupils.. (male 31, female 23,) total 54.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For	Diocesan Missions,	} '	7	00
4	" Education,		5	00
**	Expenses of the Convention,		2	67
"	Bibles and Prayer Books,	6	3	00
	Tracts,		3	00
44	Increase of the Episcopate Fund,		8	00
44	General Fund for Church objects,	1	8	00

60	APPENDIX.		
For	wing sums have also been collected for other objects, viz: Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, the Theological Seminary, the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States: Domestic Missions, Foreign Missions, Kenyon College, Parochial objects,	14 9 5 0 5 0 5 0 8 0 36 4	0 0 0
Ranna	nuel Church, Norwich.	121 0	0
	[There is no report from this Parish.]		
St. Pa	ul's Church, Oxford; the Rev. Tapping Reeve	Снір	MAN,
Congregation 278; bapting number 90 Communion teachers, (and The more Treasurer, appropriate For the foliation of the foliati	ation. families 62, (adults 184, children 94,) total number of sms. adults 1, infants 3, total 4; confirmed 4; communicate; marriages 4; burials 6; public services. on Sundays 11 in publicly administered monthly; Sunday schools. number of nale 2, female 7,) total 9; pupils. (male 22, female 23,) totally collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transform August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have, in part, been done in the follows, viz:  Diocesan Missions,  Expenses of Convention,  General Fund for Church objects,  wing sums have also been collected for other objects, viz: the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,  Parochial objects,	ntep [; the of school 45. mitted en ma	to the de and
above repo the Church not made. there has n	Total,	y ulting to June to Ju	no, the aly lat, s were d. As abers of
Christ Rows, R	ct Church, Sherburne; the Rev. LIBERTY ALORECTOR.	NZO	Bar-
255; bapt ted 3, rece public serv Holy Com children 36 (male 2, fe The mo Treasurer,	gation. families 51, (adults 160, children 95,) total number of isms. adults 4, infants 3, total 7; confirmed 15; communicatived 2, total added 5, died 1, present number 70; Marriages sices. on Sundays 108, on other days 18, total number of serving munion publicly administered 8 times; children catechised 9, number of times 6; Sunday schools. number of schools male 7,) total 9; pupils. (male 16, female 25,) total 41. athly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transfollows, viz:	nts 5; bui ces 12 nun 1, te	admitrials 6; the aber of achers,

For Diocesan Missions, 150

"Bibles and Prayer Books, 100

"General Fund for Church objects, 250

The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:

For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, 500

"Parochial objects, 140 00

The prospects of this Parish are gradually improving. The fact that they have contributed so little to charitable objects is owing in part to the effort, which the Parish has had to make to sustain the services since the withdrawal of the Missionary stipend; and also to meet the expense of painting and putting blinds on the Church.

#### CORTLAND COUNTY.

Calvary Church, Homer; the Rev. SAMUEL GOODALE, Rector.

Congregation. families 34, (adults 90, children 30,) total number of individuals 120; baptisms. adults 5, infants 1, total 6; confirmed 16; communicants. admitted 13, received 4, total added 17; removed 3, present number 45; public services... on Sundays 33, and 12 at Cortland, total number of services 45; the Holy Communion publicly administered 4 times; Sunday schools... number of schools 1; teachers, (female) 5; pupils, (male 6, female 14,) total 20.

The following sum has been collected:

This report embraces the period of four months of the year now ended. After about a year's suspension of services, this Parish seems to be again struggling into life. During the few months of my ministrations here, I have seen many things to encourage and incite to greater efforts in behalf of Christ and His Church. It is my usual practice to hold a third service at Cortland, where a number of families reside. We have a small Sunday school, which I examine every Sunday; also a Bible Class.

#### HRIE COUNTY.

# St. Paul's Church, Aurora; reported by the Rev. G. BRIDGMAN.

Congregation...families 20, (adults 45, children 30,) total number of individuals 75; baptisms...infants 3; communicants 13; burials 2; public services...on Sundays 25, on other days 13, total 38.

This parish is on the gain. The attachment of some new members to her service, the addition of others coming to reside in the place, and the prospect of having our Church established amongst this people will effect much to secure its permanency and prosperity here.

Grace Church, Black Rock.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. Paul's Church, Buffalo; the Rev. WILLIAM SHELTON, D. D. Rector.

Baptisms...(adults 5, infants 40,) total 45; communicants...admitted 11, present number 160; marriages 21, burials 31.

The monthly collections required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

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For General Fund for Church Objects,	8224	00
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz	: -	
For Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen		00
" the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Chur		
in the United States: Domestic Missions,		06
" Nashotah Mission School,		
" Special Diocesan Objects,		
" Ascension Church, Liverpool,	1	50
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### Trinity Church, Buffalo; the Rev. Edward Ingersoll, Rector.

Baptisms...(adults 2, infants 20,) total 22; communicants...present number 108; marriages 5; burials 12; Sunday schools...teachers, (male 4, female 6,) total 10; pupils, (male 36, female 28,) total 64.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Total.....\$240 26

The present Rector commenced his services in Trinity Parish on the second Sunday in Lent. From the time of the last Convention until the first day of March, he remained in the Rectorship of St. Michael's, Geneseo.

The public services, at which he has officiated during the year, have been, on Sundays 103, on other days 33, total number of services 136. He has administered the Holy Communion publicly 12 times.

St. John's Church, Wales; not yet admitted into union with the Convention; reported by the Rev. Geo. Bridgman.

Congregation...families 20, (adults 35, children 50,) total number of individuals 85; baptisms...adults 4, infants 1, total 5; communicants...died 2, added 4, present number of communicants 15; marriages 2; burials 11; public services...on Sundays 41, on other days 13, total number of services 54; Sunday school..teachers, (male 3, female 5,) total number 8; pupils 25; Bible class 40.

This Parish has been organized during the past year, and, by the Divine blessing of the Great Head of the Church, bids fair to become every way permanent and respectable. And, although two adults of our communion have been removed by death from among us, and several of our supporters and well wishers have been taken from our sight, still the cause of the Church is prospering among us both in numbers and strength. The good people of Wales have it seriously in contemplation to erect an edifice for public worship; which object, when effected, under present manifestations might secure our services to this people. I have administered in this new Parish the Lord's Supper regularly once every six weeks in public; and, during a season of uncommon mortality last winter, administered both the sacraments often to the sick and the dying.

#### GENESEE COUNTY.

St. James' Church, Batavia; the Rev. James A. Bolles, Rector.

Congregation. families 127, (adults 360, children 250,) total number of individuals 610; baptisms. adults 4, infants 17, total 21; communicants. admitted 7, received 2, total added 9; present number 160; marriages 5; burials 15; public services.. on Sundays 104, on other days 84, total number of services 188; the Holy Communion publicly administered 12 times; children catechised the first Sunday in every menth; Sunday achools.. number of schools 1, teachers, (male 12, female 14,) total 26; pupils, (male 50, female 80.) total 130.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

<b></b>	For	Diocesan Missions,	<b>262</b>	21
		Expenses of the Convention		
	<b>66</b>	Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	75	00
	66	General Fund for Church Objects,	28	57
The	folic	owing sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:		
	For	the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	34	14
	66	Church at Salina,	. 7	35
		Church at Albion,		26
	"	Sunday. School Books and Tracts,	30	00
	66	Communion Fund	85	63
		Total,	<b>2</b> 335	03

For three months in the year the Church was opened for divine service every Wedneeday and Friday morning, and the services were well attended. During Lent, as usual, a course of lectures was delivered every Wednesday and Friday, and every day in Passion Week. God be praised that the efforts, made in certain quarters to divide and distract the Church, have "turned out rather to the furtherance of the Gospel here," and have been the means of uniting and strengthening as "in the faith once delivered to the saints!"

### St. Mark's Church, Le Roy; the Rev. George D. GILLESPIE. Rector.

Congregation. families 73, (adults 206, children 104,) total number of individuals 310; baptisms...infants 2; communicants..admitted 1, received 5, total added 6; died 3, removed 7, present number 77; marriages 5; burials 8; public services..on Sundays 99, on other days 67, total number of services 166; the Holy Communion publicly administered 12 times; children catechised on the first Sunday of every month in the Sunday school; Sunday school.. teachers, (male 9, female 12,) total 21: pupils, (male 41, female 66,) total 107; average attendance 56.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., have been made and appropriated as follows—(in this account are included collections from the date of the last Convention to August 1st, 1844; the first eight appropriations having been actually transmitted to the Treasurer)-

For Diocesan Missions,	357	60
" N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	2	00
" Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,		00
" Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	10	00
" Kenyon College, Ohio,		00
"Mission to Africa,	7	
" Domestic Missions,	12	00
"Mission to Texas,		<b>83</b>
« Ascension Church, Liverpool,	17	65
" Purchase of a Chapel at Mumford,		00
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:		
For Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	17	42
" Mission to Africa, from Sunday school,	12	29
" Clothing members of the Sunday school,	20	00
" Income of the Offertory,		65

The amount raised in the congregation for the support of the Church, for the year

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ending July 1st, 1844, by voluntary subscriptions, was \$346.

The Rector deems it proper to state, that a donation of \$1,500 has been made to the Parish, by a former member of it; said sum to be invested, and the interest applied to the increase of the Recter's salary. The fact that but one communicant has been admitted during the year, is in part accounted for by the circumstance that the rite of confirmation has not been administered.

Service has been held at Mumford regularly every fortnight. The building, formerly occupied by the Congregationalists as a Chapel, has been purchased for our services, at the cost of about \$220. This sum has been nearly subscribed in that and the neighboring villages. A Sunday school has also been lately commenced, now numbering, scholars 45, teachers 8; communion administered once; number of communicants 12; baptisms, children 5; marriage 1; Episcopal families in the village and vicinity, 9. These, however, constitute but a small part of the regular attendants on our services. Services have also been held at Pavillion and Brockport; at the latter place by appointment of the Bishop.

# St. Paul's Church, Stafford; the Rev. STEPHEN C. MILLETT, Rector.

Congregation. families 41, (adults 120, children 50,) total number of individuals 170; baptisms. infants 6; communicants. died 1, present number 52; marriages 5; burials 3; public services. on Sundays 147, on other days 20, total number of services 167; the Holy Communion publicly administered 11 times; children catechined generally every Sunday; Sunday schools. number of schools 1; teachers, (male 2, female 3.) total 5; pupils. (male 13, female 17.) total 30.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appro-

priated as follows, viz:

For General Fund for Church Objects,	<b>B</b> 14	00
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:	_	
For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	5	00
" the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in		
the United States: Domestic Missions,		
" Parochial Objects,	2	00
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Total,	<b>924</b>	w

Since the last Convention I have officiated at Bethany every Sunday evening.

#### JEFFERSON COUNTY.

# St. Paul's Church, Brownville; the Rev. FERDINAND ROGERS, Rector.

Congregation. families 54, total number of individuals 180; baptisms. infants 8; confirmed 3; communicants. admitted 5, received 4, total added 9; removed 1, present number 38; marriages 3; burials 3; public services. on Sundays 48, on other days 8, total number of services 56; the Holy Communion publicly administered 7. times; children catechised..number of children 45, number of times 20; Sunday schools..number of schools 1, teachers, (male 1, female 6,) total 7; pupils, (male 20, female 30,) total 50.

The	Monthly collections for Diocesan Missions, following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:	<b>\$</b> 9	42
1100	For Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	248	00 50
	Total	2063	90

Of the sum above mentioned, as appropriated to Parochial objects, nearly forty dollars were raised by the juvenile portion of the congregation for the purchase of an addition of books to the Sunday school library. This effort was begun and carried through among themselves. Nearly \$100 have been expended also by the congregation in improving our singing. Never since my connexion with this Parish has it enjoyed a higher degree of prosperity than at present. The main burthen in sustaining the ministrations of the Church still rests, as it always must, upon a limited number of individuals. But this burthen is always most cheerfully and willingly borne.

# St. John's Church, Cape Vincent; the Rev. N. WATKINS, Rector.

Congregation...families 37, (adults 100, children 45,) total number of individuals 145; baptisms...infants 5; confirmed 19; communicants...admitted 9, received 3, total added 12; removed 3, present number 61; marriages 15; burials 5; public services...on Sundays 123, on other days 10, total number of services 134; the Holy Communion publicly administered 10 times; children catechised...number of children 30; Sunday schools...number of schools 1, teachers, (male 4, female 3,) total 7; pupils, (male 15, female 25,) total 40.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appro-

priated as follows, viz:

Your Missionary can perceive no material change in the condition of the Parish since the last report. The attendance at public worship is very good; and the services are well sustained.

# All Saints' Church, Dexter; the Rev. Ferdinand Rogers, Missionary.

Congregation...families about 32; baptisms...adults 2, infants 12, total 14; confirmed 2; communicants...admitted 3, received 2, total added 5; died 1, removed 5, present number 15; marriages 2; burial 1; public services...on Sundays 48, on other days 5, total 53; Sunday school...teachers, (male 2, female 3,) total 5; pupils 25.

This Parish has suffered much during the past year from removals, consequent upon the fluctuating character of a manufacturing population. It is hoped, however, that the services of the Church have not been without their fruits even upon those, whose enjoyment of them has been in many cases so brief.

### Zion Church, Pierrepont Manor; the Rev. Josiah M. Bart-LETT, Rector.

Congregation...families 33, (adults 83, children 67,) total number of individuals 150; baptisms...adults 2, infants 7, total 9; confirmed 10; communicants...admitted 6, received 3, total added 9; died 4, removed 1, present number 46; marriages 3; burials 11; public services...on Sundays 103, on other days 5, total number of services 108; the Holy Communion publicly administered 5 times; children catechised every Sunday morning: Sunday schools...number of schools 1, teachers, (male 4, female 5,) total 9; pupils, (male 23, female 47,) total 70.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appro-

priated as follows, viz:

For increase of the Episcopate Fund, \$25 00

"General Fund for Church objects, 133 85

The following sum has also been collected:
For Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, 8 80

During the past winter we were visited by an epidemic, which was the occasion of much distress, and an unusual number of deaths. The condition of the Parish, however, is still prosperous; and we are gradually increasing in numbers and in strength.

## Christ Church, Sackett's Harber.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

## Trinity Church, Watertown; the Rev. J. F. FISH, Rector.

Congregation...families 109; baptisms...adults 8, infants 15, total 23; confirmed 28; communicants...received 13, died 4, removed 10, present number 133; marriages 10; burials 15; the Holy Communion publicly administered 12 times; children catechised every Sunday; Sunday schools...number of schools 1, teachers, (male 4, female 10,) total 14; pupils about 100.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions,	<b>\$</b> 8	00
For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,		
" Special objects,		
Total.	188	<del>00</del>

This Parish continues to prosper under the Divine blessing. In addition to the services of the Lord's day, the Church has been open for worship the other seasons of ecclesiastical appointment. The Church has been newly painted at an expense, which has interfered with the other collections; but it is believed that the congregation will hereafter do better in contributing for general purposes. The Church has a steady and constant growth, free from disturbances of any kind, regardful of all the liturgical exactions, its members at peace among themselves, and more and more firmly attached to our ecclesiastical order. Since the present Rector began here, the number of communicants has a little more than doubled; and the congregation has so increased that we suffer for want of room. Moreover, if a consistent deportment may be depended on as evidence, we believe that the good work of grace is progressing in the hearts of our members, promoting their sanctification, restraining and subdaing their sinfulness, and swaying them to lead lives of godliness and peace.

#### LEWIS COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Lowville; the Rev. Edmund A. Renour, Rector and Missionary.

Congregation...families 16, (adults 41, children 27,) total number of individuals about 80; baptisms...adults 5, infants 11, total 16; confirmed 15; communicants... admitted 16, received 2, total added 18; removed 1, present number 26; marriages 3; public services...on Sundays 103, on other days 33; total number of services 143; the Holy Communion publicly administered 3 times; children catechised...number of children 15, number of times 4; Sunday schools...number of schools 1, teachers, (male 3, female 3,) total 6; pupils, (male 8, female 12,)total 20.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1, 1843, to August 1, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For	Diocesan Missions	5!	5
••	Expenses of Convention.	75	5
**	Bibles and Prayer Books 3	06	)
44	Tracts,	Of	)

The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:		
For Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	8	20
" the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church		
in the United States: Domestic Missions,	2	43
" Parochial objects,		00
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Shortly after the services of a Clergyman were secured, the congregation obtained a larger room, capable of accommodating one hundred persons, which has generally been well filled. Most of the greater festivals and fasts of the Church have been observed. A course of familiar lectures on the evening service, delivered during Lent, was well attended. Religious exercises have been occasionally held on Sunday evenings at the poor house. The monthly collections have been regularly made on the second Sunday of every month. Owing to the necessary absence of the Missionary from his post for several weeks, and other causes incidental to a new station, the missionary appointments have not been kept so steadily as may henceforward be anticipated. Divine worship has been twice celebrated at Boonville, Oneida county; and the same might have been said of Turin, had not severe storms frustrated the efforts of the Missionary.

The prospects of the congregation in Lowville are highly encouraging; and should they be aided by the liberality of the friends of the Church, it is thought that a small but commodious Church edifice might be erected during the ensuing year.

### St. Paul's Church, Turin.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

#### LIVINGSTON COUNTY.

## Zion Church, Avon; the Rev. Samuel G. Appleton, Rector.

Congregation...families 48, (adults 127, children 90,) total number of individuals 217; baptisms...adults 3, infants 11, total 14; communicants...admitted 5, received 2, total added 7, died 1, removed 3, present number 42; marriage 1; burials 3; public services...on Sundays 128, on other days 16, total number of services 144; the Holy Communion publicly administered 12 times: children catechised..number of children 30, number of times 20; Sunday schools..number of schools 1; teachers, (male 1, female 4,) total 6; pupils, (male 16, female 20,) total 36.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

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For General Fund for Church objects,	<b>\$</b> 8	00
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:		
For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	13	00
" the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church i	n	
the United States: Domestic Missions,		00
" Parochial objects,		
" Building Church at Mumfordville,		

A larger number than usual are looking forward to the reception of the holy rite of confirmation.

# St. Peter's Church, Dansville; the Rev. NATHANIEL F. BRUCE, M. D., Missionary.

Congregation...families 13, (adults 50, children 20,) total number of individuals 70; communicants..received 6, removed 7, present number 6; marriages 3; public services...on Sundays 99, on other days 5, total number of services 104; the Holy Communion publicly administered 3 times.

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By comparing the present with the report of last year, it will be seen that the Parish of St. Peter's Church is not in as prosperous a condition as it was at that time. We then reported 16 families and 10 communicants. We have lost, by removal to other places, five families and seven of our small number of communicants. During the year past our congregation has been fluctuating; but, on the whole, our services on Sundays have been respectable as to numbers, varying from thirty to sixty attendants. The friends of the Episcopal Church remain firm; and, if we have not the satisfaction of recording any addition to their number, we have not to lament the disaffection of any. All are with us, who from the first commenced with us. Our little congregation is more consolidated than it was a year ago. The distinctive principles of our ecclesiastical organization are much better understood and appreciated; and I hesitate not to say, that there is a stronger attackment at the present time in our little flock to the principles of the Church than existed at the date of my last report.

I recently visited South Dansville; and, from conversation with several individuals, there appears to be a friendly disposition to the introduction of our services. Could they be supplied with the occasional services of a Missionary, perhaps a society might

eventually be raised up there.

## St. Michael's Church, Geneseo; Reported by the Wardens.

Congregation. families 40, (adults 139, infants 83,) total number of individuals 229; baptisms. adults 2, infants 16, total 18; communicants. admitted 1, received 1, total added 2; removed 4, present number 53; marriage 1; burial 1; Sunday school 1; teachers, (male 1, female 5,) total 6; pupils, (male 15, female 25,) total 40.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For	General Fund for Church Objects,	847	12
46	Domestic Missions,	10	20
44	Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen	. 12	00
• 6	American Bible Society,	20	00
66	Other Church Objects,	15	00

The Rev. Edward Ingersoll, the former Rector of this Church, resigned his charge March 1st, 1844. Since that time we have again been under great obligations to Rev. Charles D. Cooper, of Mount Morris, who has unifounly given a third service at 5 o'clock P. M., on Sunday, (when the Church has not been open through the day,) by means of which service the congregation has been kept together, and a lively interest in its welfare maintained.

# St, John's Church, Mount Morris; the Rev. Charles D. Cooper, Rector.

Congregation..families 50, total number of individuals 360; baptisms 8; marriages 1; Sunday school scholars 40.

The following collections have been made since the last report.

Fo	r Diocesan Missions,	346	00
44	Foreign Missions, (general.)	32	10
el	(China)	81	47
	the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	50	00
46	Offertory,	40	00
64	Parochial objects,	65	00
11	Completing alterations of the Church	260	00
46	American Bible Society,	70	35
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Fotal,..... \$563 92

#### MADISON COUNTY.

St. Thomas' Church, Hamilton; Vacant; reported by the Rev. L. A. Barrows.

Congregation...families 35, (adults 100, children 35,) total about 138; baptisms... adults 3; confirmed 3; communicants 30.

I have preached here three times, and once in the village of Eaton, three miles distant, in the Presbyterian meeting house to a large and attentive congregation. There are a number of communicants here, and several highly respectable families ardently attached to the Church.

## St. John's Church, Oneida Depot.

[The statistics of this Parish are included in the report of Zion Church, Rome, Oneida county.]

St. Stephen's Church, Perryville; the Rev. M. Weber, M. D., Rector.

Baptisms...adults 1, infants 4, total 5; confirmed 3; communicants...admitted 1, received 3, total added 4, removed 1, present number 25; marriages 2; burials...1 at Perryville, 1 in the town of Eaton, 1 in the town of Fenner.

No monthly collections have been made. The reason for this will be found in the feeble strength of the Parish, and in the difficulty in sustaining the services of the Church.

During the past year, I have officiated twice at Hamilton. The rest of my time, as far as my health and the weather permitted, has been devoted to this place.

#### MONROE COUNTY.

St. Luke's Church, Brockport; the Rev. Charles J. Todd, Missionary.

Congregation...families 49; baptisms...infants 2; communicants...admitted 5, received 3, total added 8, present number 40; marriage 1; burials 2; Sunday school... teachers, (male 2, female 3); pupils 20.

----, Kendall; the Rev. Charles J. Todd, Missionary.

Congregation...families 11; baptisms...infants 4; communicants...admitted 1, received 1, total added 2, died 1, present number 12; marriage 1; burial 1.

The following sums have been collected, viz:
For Diocesan Missions,
Parochial objects, 3 00

September 10th, I commenced holding divine service at Brockport, in a room provided for that purpose, for one-third of the time. This arrangement continued until Dec. 3, when I entered into engagements there for one-half of the time; the remaining part of my time being equally divided between Clarkson and Kendall. A Church edifice seems absolutely requisite for the success of the Church at Brockport. Means have accordingly been adopted, and considerable effort made for obtaining this object. Twenty-eight hundred dollars have been subscribed; but the terms, by which \$1,000 of this sum are to be received, are that \$3,500 shall be raised in all; which amount, it is feared, will never be obtained in that village. I have officiated at Hulberton two Sundays, one service each, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon; at which place I baptized 1 adult and 3 infants. The number of Episcopal families there is 8. Probably more are to be found in the vicinity. They are now endeavoring to obtain the services of the Church for a part of the time.

My whole number of services on Sundays have been 120, on other days 20, total

140. The Holy Communion publicly administered 12 times.

# St. John's Church, Honeoye Falls; the Rev. HENRY LOCKWOOD, Rector.

Congregation...families 30, (adults 72, children 28,) total number of individuals 100; baptisms...adults 2, infants 9, total 11; confirmed 5; communicants...admitted 3, received 5, total added 8, removed 6, present number 28; marriages 2; public services...on Sundays 94, on other days 4, total number of services at two places 115; the Holy Communion publicly administered 12 times; Sunday schools...number of schools 1, teachers, (male 2, female 3,) total 5; pupils... (male 8, female 12,) total 20.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appro-

priated as follows, viz:

For General Fund for Church objects,	. <b>3</b> 8	00
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:	•	
For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	3	00
" the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church		••
in the United States: Domestic Missions,		00
Foreign Missions,		00
For Parochial objects,	9	25
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# Trinity Church, Penfield; the Rev. J. V. Van Ingen, and Rev. C. H. Platt, Missionaries.

This Church was organized August 15, 1828, by the Rev. E. G. Gear. The Rev. Kendrick Metcalf, who was its minister in 1833-4, left a record of 22 communicants. The present Missionaries find the number in this Parish reduced, by those changes of residence so characteristic of Western New York, to families 2, communicants 6.

The number of public services, celebrated since their appointment, is 7; at one of which the Bishop of the Diocese preached, and administered the Holy Communion.

# St. Luke's Church, Rochester; the Rev. Thomas C. PITKIN, Rector.

Congregation...families 264, (adults 600, children 575,) total number of individuals 1175; baptisms...adults 3, infants 99, total 102; confirmed 17; communicants...total added 32, died 6, removed 20, present number 430; marriages 12; barials 24; public services...on Sundays 88, on other days 101, total number of services 199; the Holy Communion publicly administered 9 times; children catechised...number of children 130, number of times weekly, on Saturday afternoons; Sunday schools..number of schools 2, teachers, (male 22, female 26,) total 48; pupils.. (male 171, female 178,) total 349.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Total,	2995	83
" repairs on the Church,	1233	00
For support of Sunday schools,	60	00
Communion collections for poor,	256	
Parochial objects:		
Sunday school offerings,	72	12
For support of a Candidate for Orders,	_	00
Special collections for Churches at the West,	370	
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Foreign Missions	293	
in the United States: Domestic Missions,	270	91
The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church	~0	<del>•</del>
" Kenyon College, Theological Department,	20	
" the Theological Seminary,	ĬÌ	
For Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	<b>B</b> 40	00
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:		
" Missions in Monroe county,	50	00
" Increasing Episcopate Fund,	100	00
For Diocesan Missions,	<b>B</b> 160	00
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The above report includes the services performed by the Rev. Dr. Whitehouse until the first of May, and those by the present Rector from the 12th of July. During the months of May and June, the Church was closed for the purpose of repairs.

Grace Church, worshipping in St. Paul's Church edifice, Rochester; the Rev. John V. Van Ingen, Assistant Presbyter, and Rev. C. H. Platt, Deacon, Ministers.

Congregation...families, as far as ascertained, 80, (adults 166, children 154,) total number of individuals 350; baptisms...adults 3, infants 28, total 31; confirmed 11; communicants...admitted 1, received 17, total added 18, died 2, removed 7, present number, as far as ascertained, 115; marriages 15; burials 20; public services...on Sundays 129, on other days 95, total number of services 224; the Holy Communion publicly administered 13 times; children catechised statedly; Sunday schools...number of schools 1, teachers (male 4 female 11,) total 15; pupils... (male 25, female 40,) total 65.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For General Fund for Church objects,	<b>B</b> 131	50
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:	<b>4</b>	
For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	28	00
" For increase of Episcopate Fund,		
" Parochial objects,		

This Parish furnishes peculiar calls for the proper services of a Deacon, in which the Rev. C. H. Platt, since his ordination on the 15th of July, has been usefully occupied under the direction of the Assistant. Besides assisting in the services at St. Paul's and visiting sundry places in Monroe county, as Missionary, Mr. Platt, as Deacon, has been employed in visiting the poor and needy in the city of Rochester, where numerous poor and laboring English Church people abound. Services on sundry occasions have been held in the county prison.

A regular system of catechising has been pursued in the Parish during the past year, though interrupted by the changes in the Parochial oversight. Two classes are now regularly catechised on Saturday in each week.

The monthly collections have been sent, as recommended by the last Convention,

to the "General Fund for Church objects."

The ministers of the Parish were placed in charge of this flock by the Bishop, in pursuance of an effort to relieve the Church edifice from a heavy pecuniary incumbrance.

#### MIAGARA COUNTY.

# St. Paul's Church, Lewiston; the Rev. Rupus Murray, Missionary.

Congregation...families 33, (adults 104, children 65,) total number of individuals 169; baptisms..adults 9, infants 7, total 16; communicants..admitted 5, received 1, total added 6, died 1, removed 2, present number 52; marriages 7; burials 8; public services..on Sundays 104, on other days 30, total number of services 134; the Holy Communion publicly administered 15 times; children catechased..number of children 40; Sunday schools..number of schools 1, teachers, (male 2, female 4,) total 6; pupils.. (male 15, female 25,) total 40.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appro-

priated as follows, viz:

	For	Diocesan Missions,	5	00
		"Education,		25
	ie	Expenses of the Convention	2	00
	"	Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	1	25
	66	General Fund for Church objects,	4	00
The	folic	owing sums have been collected for other objects, viz:		
	For	Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen	9	00
	64	the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in		
		the United States: Domestic Missions,	3	00
	66	Parochial objects,	47	00
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# Christ Church, Lockport; the Rev. Erastus B. Foote, Rector.

Congregation.. families 53, (adults 158, children 96,) total number of individuals 254; baptisms.. infants 14; communicants.. admitted 6, received 1, total added 7, removed 5, present number 59; burials 3; public services.. on Sundays 38, on other days 16, total number of services 54; the Holy Communion publicly administered 11 times; children catechised.. number of children 20, number of times 6.

The following sum has been collected:

The present incumbent of this Parish took charge thereof in October last; since which time there has been a gradual increase in the attendance at Church and admissions to the Communion.

# Grace Church, Lockport; the Rev. LLOYD WINDSOR, Rector.

Congregation...families 70, (adults 200, children 120,) total number of individuals 320; baptisms...adults 2, infants 20, total 22; confirmed 6; communicants...admitted 6, received 2, total added 8, died 2, removed 30, present number 75; marriages 4; burials 8; public services...on Sundays 125, on other days 60, total number of services 185; the Holy Communion publicly administered 12 times; children catechised...number of children 30, number of times 12; Sunday school 1.

The monthly collections required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appro-

priated as follows, viz:

For	Diocesan Missions,	<b>R19</b>	00	j
96	Expenses of Convention,	4	00	)
66	Bibles and Prayer Books,	1	00	
••	Increase of the Episcopate Fund	4	00	
"	General Fund for Church objects	10	00	

The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:

"The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States: Domestic Missions, 10 00

Foreign Missions, 3 00

Christmas Fund, 13 00

Sunday School Books, 5 00

Printing Church pamphlets, 126 00

It is with feelings of devout gratitude to the Great Head of the Church, that the Rector reports a favorable spiritual condition of the people of his charge.

St. Luke's, Royalton; the Rev. P. Elmer Coe, Missionary.

Congregation...families 12, individuals 60; communicants 15; public services... on Sundays 25; marriage 1.

#### ONEIDA COUNTY.

Christ Church, Bridgewater; •the Rev. DAVID M. FACKLER, Missionary.

Congregation...families 18; communicants...died 1, removed 2, present number 10; burial 1.

The following sum has been collected, viz:

The Missionary officiates on every other Sunday afternoon in Clinton, where one person (a member of St. Paul's, Paris Hill,) was confirmed by the Bishop on his late visit; and one infant has been baptized.

Trinity Church, Camden; the Rev. E. D. KENNICOTT, Missionary.

Congregation...families 65, (adults 173, children 113,) total number of individuals 286; baptisms...adults 7, infants 12, total 19; confirmed 17; communicants...removed 3, present number 46; marriages 3; burial 1; public services...generally twice every Sunday, and a portion of the time a third service; the Holy Communion publicly administered 6 times; children catechised...number of children 23; Sunday schools...number of schools 1, teachers, (male 5, female 6,) total 11; pupils... (male 18, female 27,) total 45.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appre-

priated as follows, viz:

For	Diocesan Missions,	2	00
66	" Education,		
46	Expenses of the Convention,	1	00
46	Bibles and Prayer Books,	5	00
	Tracts,	1	00
46	Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	2	00
46	General Fund for Church chiegts	2	M

Scarcely eighteen months have passed away since the organization of this Parish. Within that time a commodious Church edifice has been erected and completed, and also furnished with an excellent Organ. The congregation is constantly on the increase; and the prospect now is, by the blessing of God, of a large and flourishing communion.

# St. Paul's Church, Holland Patent; the Rev. MARCUS A. PERRY, Missionary.

Congregation...families 22, (adults 54, children 37,) total number of individuals 91; baptisms...infants 2; communicants...admitted 2, died 2, present number 35; marriages 5; burials 5; public services...on Sundays 102, on other days 11, total number of services 113; the Holy Communion publicly administered 10 times.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions,

"Expenses of the Convention,

The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:

"Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,

Parochial objects,

5 00

Total, ..... \$25 00

The Rector remarks, that the Parish has been afflicted the past year by the death of two important members, whose loss is deeply felt. In other respects it remains nearly the same, as reported the last year. The Hobart Hall Academy also continues to prosper.

# Gethsemane Church, Hampton.

# [There is no report from this Parish.]

# St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford; the Rev. WILLIAM E. EIGENBRODT, Rector.

Baptisms...adults 4, infants 4, total 8; communicants..admitted 6, received 3, total added 9, died 1, removed 4, present number 64; burials 6; public services..on Sundays 58, on other days 24, total number of services 82; the Holy Communican publicly administered monthly; children catechised weekly; Sunday school..teachers, (male 8, female 11,) total 14; pupils.. (male 40, female 44,) total 84.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For the General Fund of the Diocese, 200

"Bibles and Prayer Books, 200

"Domestic Missions, 500

The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:

For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, 500

"Parochial objects, 4500

The present Incumbent entered upon the duties of this Rectorship in February last. The services having for some time previous been interrupted, he reports those only, which have been performed in the Parish Church since that period. In addition to those services, he has officiated, during the greater portion of the same time, twice a week in two Factory establishments within the Parish limits.

Recently the aisles of the Church have been carpeted by the ladies of the Parish: and a new chancel and pulpit, with the arrangement of the lectern, have been erected.

St. Peter's Church, Oriskany; the Rev. Benjamin W. Whicher, Missionary.

Congregation. families 33, (adults 67, children 64,) total number of individuals 131; confirmed 8; communicants. admitted 2, present number 42; public services .. on Sundays 50, on other days 10, total number of services 60; the Holy Communion publicly administered 7 times; Sunday schools.. number of schools 1, teachers, (male 1, female 2,) total 3; pupils.. (male 1, female 12,) total 13.

I entered upon this station the 1st day of August, and am not able to make a report with any degree of accuracy from the want of a Parish record. The above statements are made upon verbal information. Since I came, I have collected a Sunday school of 29 boys and 35 girls, in all 64. I have baptized 2, and buried 2 children.

St. Paul's Church, Paris Hill; the Rev. I. SWART, Officiating Minister.

Congregation. families 44, (adults 135, children 80,) total number of individuals 215; baptisms. infants 2; confirmed 4; communicants. admitted 1, removed 4, present number 32; marriages 3; public services. on Sundays 103, on other days 16, total number of services 120; the Holy Communion publicly administered 8 times; children catechised...number of children 28, number of times 29.

Seven monthly collections have been made, and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions,	. 83	01
" Bibles and Prayer Books,	<b>.</b> 2	25
" Tracts,	. 1	28
" the General Theological Seminary,	. 1	75
" the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in		
the United States: Domestic Missions,	. 1	64
Foreign Missions, (Texas)	. 1	46
" Parochial objects—Books of Instruction,	. 1	09
" Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	. 6	00
OT and all	910	49

The use of the surplice has been restored; the monthly administration of the Holy Communion introduced; and the weekly catechetical instruction of the children commenced.

Zion Church, Rome; the Rev. Stephen H. Battin, Rector.

Congregation... families 43, (adults 120, children 93,) total number of individuals 123; baptisms... infants 11; confirmed 17, one from St. John's Church, Oneida Depot; communicants... admitted 2, received 5, total added 7, removed 5, present number 60; marriages 4; burials 5; public services... on Sundays 127, on other days 25, total number of services 152; the Holy Communion publicly administered 8 times; children catechised... number of children about 30, number of times 12; Sunday schools... number of schools 2, teachers, (male 5, female 8,) total 13; pupils ... (male 22, female 40,) total 62.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

Fo	r Diocesan Missions,	5	00
	Expenses of the Convention		
	Bibles and Prayer Books,		
	Tracts,		
	Increase of the Episcopate Fund,		

The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:		
For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	10	00
" the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in	-	
the United States: Domestic Missions,	7	16
" Parochial objects,		

This Parish ceased to be a Missionary station in October last. Fifty Prayer Books and about 6,000 pages of Tracts have been distributed this year. In March last several additional Pews, having about 50 sittings, were put up in our Church, and the Reading Deak removed. The lessons are now read from a Lectern, and prayers are offered up from the Altar. In August last, I visited, by request, the Church in Lowville, held Divine service, and preached three times. No collections have as yet been made at Oneida Depot. My services there (which are included in this report,) have been simply Divine service and a sermon on Sunday evening, and sustaining a Sunday school. I have preached several times at the village of Vernon, six miles from Oneida, where I hope to organize another Parish, to be connected with the Church at Oneida, in the course of the ensuing year.

Total,..... \$200 90

## Grace Church, Utica; the Rev. George Leeds, Rector.

Congregation. families 92, (adults 300, children 150,) total number of individuals 450; baptisms. adults 7, infants 28, total 35; confirmed 26; communicants. admitted 20, received 8, total added 28, removed 8, present number 112; marriages 9; burials 8; public services. on Sundays 104, on other days 39, total number of services 143; the Holy Communion publicly administered 12 times; children catechised..number of children 70, number of times 46; Sunday schools..number of schools 1, teachers, (male 4, female 9,) total 13; pupils 70.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appro-

priated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions,	182	<b>69</b>
" Tracts,		00
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:		
For Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen	32	75
" the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in		
the United States: Domestic Missions,		70
Foreign Missions,		00
" Jubilee College, Illinois,	70	00
"Other charities,		
" Parochial Objects,		
·		
Total,	317	14

Trinity Church, Utica; the Rev. PIERRE ALEXIS PROAL, D. D., Rector.

Congregation. families 150; baptisms. adults 10, infants 25, total 35; confirmed 33; communicants. admitted 21, received 4, total added 25, died 3, removed 28, suspended 1, present number 140; marriages 10; burials 18; public services... on Sundays 116, on other days 44, total number of services 160; the Holy Communion publicly administered 12 times; children catechised in the Sunday school every Sunday; Sunday school...number of schools 1, teachers, (male 8, female 16,) total 24; pupils... (male 40, female 72,) total 112.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For	Diocesan Missions,	54	50
"	Bibles and Prayer Books, (New York P. E. Society,)	20	00
•	Tracts, (New York P. E. Society,)		52
"	General Fund for Church objects	_	ΔÑ

The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:  For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,  " the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church	27	71
in the United States: Domestic Missions,	21	89
Monthly collections for the Sunday school,		
For extra Parochial objects, in addition to the ordinary expens-		
es of the Parish,	345	00
Total	k520	<u> 42</u>

The stated services in this Parish are as follows:

- I. The regular morning and evening prayer of every Sunday in the year.
- IL A second evening prayer on the first Sunday of each month, and also every Sunday during the season of Lent.
- IIL Morning prayer on the Friday before each Communion, from May to October inclusive—and evening prayer and a sermon on the Friday evening before Communion from November to April inclusive.
  - IV. Morning prayer and sermon on Christmas day and Good Friday, and Ash-Wednesday.
  - V. Morning prayer on Wednesday, and evening prayer and sermon on Friday evenings in Lent-
- VI. A Bible Class is held on Sunday evenings from November until Easter—and during the remainder of the year on Wednesday evenings.

VII. The sermon on the afternoon of the first Sunday in each month is addressed particularly to the youth and children of the congregation, who are then collected together in the galleries of the Church.

The Holy Communion is regularly administered on the great festivals of the Church—Christmas, Easter, Whit-Sunday, and also on the first Sunday in every month.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL is taught every Sunday immediately after evening prayer and sermon.

The first exercise is a uniform Scripture lesson in all the classes.—

The second exercise is general, and consists of a lecture on the Church Catechism from the Rector in person—and in

The third, the several classes are taught the Church Catechism by their respective teachers.

Instead of the usual system of lending books from the library, each scholar, who has merited it, by good attendance, good behavior, and study, receives a number of the Children's Magazine monthly as a reward.

### Grace Church, Waterville; the Rev. Fortune C. Brown, Rector.

Congregation...families about 45, (adults 125, children 50,) total number of individuals about 175; baptisms..adults 5, infants 8, total 13; confirmed 7; communicants...admitted 7, received 7, total added 14, died 4, removed 1, present number 61; marriage 1; burials 7; public services...on Sundays 106, on other days 35, total number of services 141, besides 5 others given out of the Parish to neighboring villages; the Holy Communion publicly administered 13 times; children catechised... number of children 30, number of times 6 in public in the Church, and often in the Sunday school; Sunday schools...number of schools 1, teachers, (male 4, female 4,) total 8; pupils 40.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions,	4	00
" Tracts,	1	60
" General Fund for Church objects,		00
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:		
For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,		00
in the United States: Domestic Missions		00
Foreign Missions,		00
		00
Total,	19	00

The Parish gratefully acknowledges the receipt of the sum of \$275 from benevolent individuals in the cities of New York and Brooklyn. Our condition is much better than at any time heretofore, and our future prospects very encouraging.

#### OMONDAGA COUNTY.

Grace Church, Baldwinsville.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

Trinity Church, Fayetteville; Vacant; Reported by the Wardens.

Congregation...families 19, (adults 48, infants 35,) total 83; baptisms...infants 2; confirmed 2; communicants 30, died 4, removed 13; Sunday schools 1, teachers, (male 2, female 3,) total 5; scholars 26.

Apostolic Church, Geddes.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. Mark's Church, James ville.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

Christ Church, Jordan; Reported by the Wardens.

Congregation.. families 20; communicants 21; occasional services 6; no collections made.

Ascension Church, Liverpool; the Rev. MASON GALLAGHER, Missionary.

Congregation...families 19, individuals 73; communicants...present number 14; Sunday school teachers 6, scholars 30.

I preached in Ascension Church, Liverpool, for the first time on the 11th of August; and have visited the Church families whose names were on the Parish Register besides many others. The above report of the state of the Church is as contained in the Parish Register.

## Christ Church, Manlius; the Rev. SETH DAVIS, Rector.

Congregation. families 52, (adults 145, children 115,) total number of individuals 260; baptisms...infants 8; confirmed 2; communicants..admitted 2, received 1, total added 3; died 2, removed 1, present number 93; [including those residing at Cazenovia;] marriages 10; burials 3, in the Parish, and 1 out; public services... on Sundays 130, on other days 15; total number of services 145; the Holy Communion publicly administered 12 times; children catechised..number of children 80, number of times 13; Sunday schools..number of schools 1, teachers, (male 4, female 8,) total 12.

The monthly collections required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For	Diocesan Missions, 8	15	00
66	Education,		
46	Expenses of the Convention,	2	00
•	Bibles and Prayer Books,	3	00
æ	Tracts,	_	08
*	General Fund for Church objects.		63

The following sums have been collected for other objects, viz:		
For Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	12	00
" the Theological Seminary,		
" the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in		
the United States: Domestic Missions,		
Foreign Missions,	5	00
* Parochial objects,	60	00
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Besides the above contributions of the Parish, there have been given to the Permanent Missionary Fund of the Diocese by the late Mrs. Betsey Ledyard, of Manlius, fifty-five dollars. The avails of the Ladies' Benevolent Association attached to the Parish have been for the past year sixty-two dollars.

St. John's Church, Marcellus.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

Zion Church, Onondaga.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

Christ Church, Pompey.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

St. James' Church, Skaneateles; the Rev. J. T. CLARK, Rector.

Congregation.. families 44, (adults 158, children 62,) total number of individuals 264; baptisms.. adults 1, infants 2, total 3; confirmed 6; communicants...admitted 3, received 1, total added 4, removed 11, present number 76; marriages 12; barials 7; public services...on Sundays 102, on other days 16, total number of services 118; the Holy Communion publicly administered 12 times; children catechised on Communion Sundays in summer; Sunday schools...number of schools 1, teachers, (male 1, female 9,) total 10; pupils, (male 25, female 37,) total 62.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Expenses of the Convention,	8 5	00
" Increase of the Episcopate Fund,		
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:		
For Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	11	00
" the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church		
in the United States: Domestic Missions,	18	00
* Parochial objects,		
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# St. Paul's Church, Syracuse; the Rev. HENRY GREGORY, Rector.

Congregation. families 155, (adults 370, children 190,) total number of individuals 560; baptisms...adults 3, infants 6, total 9; confirmed 6; communicants...admitted 8, received 11, total added 19; removed 11, present number 111; marriages 11; burials 10; public services...on Sundays 96, on other days 41, total number of services 137; the Holy Communion publicly administered 13 times; children catechised...number of children 85, number of times 12; Sunday schools...number of

schools 1, teachers, (male 5, female 5,) total 10; pupils, (male 41, female 49,) total 90. The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

	For	Diocesan Missions,	<b>B</b> 61	31
	44	Tracts,	1	13
	44	General Fund for Church objects,	16	35
The	folle	owing sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:		
	For	the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	20	00
		Theological Seminary,	10	00
	66	the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church		
		in the United States: Domestic Missions,		
		Foreign Missions,	10	00
	66	General Sunday School Union,	7	00
	46	Parochial objects,	579	17
	"	Charitable objects,	89	22

The services during Lent and on the Holy Days in the past year have been better attended than heretofore. A class of catechumens has been formed, embracing young persons from 12 to 16 years of age, designed specially for those, who, having been in the Sunday school, ought to be preparing for confirmation. Amidst many causes of anxiety and fear for the spiritual prosperity of the congregation, there is yet a good degree of outward peace, and encouraging tokens of advancement in Christian knowledge.

#### ONTARIO COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Canandaigua; the Rev. John Wayland, D. D., Rector.

Congregation...families 72, total number of individuals 337; baptisms...adults 4, infants 6, total 10; confirmed 20; communicants... total added 20, died 3, removed 5, present number 119; marriage 1; burials 3; public services...on Sundays 27, on other days 2; total number of services 29; the Holy Communion publicly administered 3 times; children catechised...number of children 40, number of times 3; Sunday schools...number of schools 1, teachers, (male 5, female 10,) total 15; pupils, (male 41, female 38,) total 79.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions,	<b>B</b> 1	25
" General Fund for Church objects,		
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:  For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,  " the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in		
the United States: Domestic Missions,	10	36
" Special objects,		
" Parochial objects,	521	15

The number of public services is reckoned from the time in which the present incumbent entered upon his duties, viz. Whit-Sunday.

Trinity Church, Centrefield.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

Zion Church, East Bloomfield; the Rev. EDMUND EMETRY, Missionary.

Infant baptisms 14; communicants about 30; marriages 4; burials 2; the Communion has been administered in public 10 times; public services...on Sundays 83, on other days 6, total 89.

The monthly collections, required by Carron XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Expenses of Convention,	<b>B</b> 1	63
" Diocesan Missions,		
" Education		
" Prayer Books,		
" Tracts,,		
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:		
For Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	3	00
" The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church		
in the United States: Domestic Missions,	6	66
· Foreign Missions	2	00
Total,	<del></del>	62

The above is a copy of the statistics of this Parish, as given me by my predecessor. The present Incumbent, having very recently assumed the charge of it, has nothing further to record. The omissions, which may be noticed in this report, must be attributed to my not yet being acquainted with the actual condition of the Parish in some respects. And I would also observe, in justice to the Rev. brother who preceded me, that the above statement includes no more than the last ten months of his useful labor here.

## Trinity Church, Geneva; the Rev. SAMUEL COOKE, Rector.

Congregation. families 130, total number of individuals 550; baptisms. adults 2, infants 12, total 14; confirmed 14; communicants. admitted 26, received 27, total added 53, died 3, removed 14, present number 199; marriages 4; burials 6; public services. on Sundays 102, on other days 40, total number of services 142; the Holy Communion administered monthly; children catechised..number of children 30, number of times, every Sunday except Communion Sundays; Sunday schools.. number of schools 1, teachers, (male 8, female 8,) total 16, pupils 100.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions	08
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	00
" Bishop Chase,	<b>50</b>
" General Fund for Church objects,	34
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:  For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	93
"The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church	7R
in the United States: Domestic Missions,	50
" Parochial objects, about	66
" Communion collections,	21
Total,\$975	

In the above report, the number "confirmed" appears much smaller than the number "admitted" to the Communion, owing to the fact that many, who have been admitted within the past year, were confirmed in early life. The number of communicants above reported is believed to be the precise number at present in connexion with the Parish.

### St. Paul's Church, Richmond; the Rev. Thomas Meachem, Rector.

Congregation.. families 25; communicants.. admitted 5, removed 2, present number about 30; marriages 2; burials 4; public services..twice every Sunday during that portion of my time which is given to this Parish; the Holy Communion publicly administered quarterly; children catechised occasionally; Sunday achools..number of schools 1, teachers, (male 2, female 5,) total 7; pupils, (male 10, female 15,) total 25.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1, 1843, to August 1, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows. viz:

For Diocesan Missions,  " General Fund for Church objects,		
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:  For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,  the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in	2	90
the United States: Domestic Missions,	_	00 00
Total,	•	

St. John's Church, Vienna.

[There is no report from this Parish.]

#### ORLEANS COUNTY.

# ·Christ Church, Albion; reported by the Rev. ORRIN MILLER.

Congregation...families 31, (adults 130, children 70,) total number of individuals 200; baptisms...infants 3; communicants admitted and received 30; present number 30; burial 1; public services...on Sundays 20.

" Contingent Fund,....

The congregation had not yet gained sufficient maturity to commence a Sunday school or a catechetical class.

# St. John's Church, Medina; the Rev. P. Elmer Coe, Rector.

Congregation...families 27, number of individuals 155; baptisms...infants 3; communicants...added 5, removed 3, present number 49; marriage 1; burials 2; public services...on Sunday 80, on other days 10, total number 90; the Holy Communion publicly administered 9 times; Sunday school 1, teachers 3, scholars 28.

The following collections have been made the past year:

For	Diocesan Missions,	M
•••	Politoric Arminons	- 30
44	Christmas Fund for disabled Chergymen, 3	00
Æ	Parochial objects, 210	00

#### OSWEGO COUNTY.

## Trinity Church, Constantia; Reported by the Wardens.

Congregation...families 11, (adults 21, children 28,) total number of individuals 49; baptisms...children 5; communicants 8; public services..on Sunday 1 by the Rev. John McCarty, of Oswego. No collections have been made.

Zion Church, Fulton; the Rev. A. C. TREADWAY, Rector and Missionary.

Congregation.. families 15, number of individuals from 80 to 100; baptisms.. infants 5; confirmed 5; communicants..admitted 4, received 2, died 4, present number 22; marriages 3; burials 2; public services.. on Sundays 64, on other days 2, total 66; children catechised.. number of children 15, number of times 20.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appro-

priated as follows, viz:

For	Diocesan	Missions,	319	78
"	Expenses	of the Convention,	2	11
"	Christmas	Fund for disabled Clergymen,	3	50
		objects,		
		•		

This Parish has been somewhat on the advance the year past. Services have been rendered more frequently, and the attendance has been more general. It must still, however, be ranked amongst the most feeble of our Churches; and the present minister has no encouragement to expect any immediate change for the better. Gradually it certainly does, and, by the blessing of God, will continue to increase in strength.

# St. Luke's Church, Granby; the Rev. A. C. TREADWAY, Rector and Missionary.

Congregation.. families 20, number of individuals 100; baptisms..adults 6, infants 4, total 10; confirmed 5; communicants 20; public services..on Sundays 64, on other days 2, total 66; children catechised..number of children 20, number of times 5.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions,	
" Domestic Missions,	
" Parochial objects,	30 00
" Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	

Besides the regular Sunday services, I have preached in this Church, during the winter season in the evenings, and in the summer months at 5 o'clock P. M., on those Sundays when day services have been performed in Zion Church, Fulton; and the congregations continue to flatter the Missionary with the hope that some good will yet come to this people through the word and the ordinances; and that this vine may not have been nurtured and watered in vain. The edifice belonging to this Parish has recently undergone some slight alterations and improvements, and the interior has been repainted.

## Christ Church, Oswego; the Rev. John McCarty, Rector.

Congregation. families 65, (adults 290, children 180,) total number of individuals 465; baptisms. infants 31; confirmed 14; communicants. admitted 6, received 2, total added 8, died 3, removed 7, present number about 96; marriages 11; burials

19; public services... on Sundays 100, on other days 17, total number of services 117; the Holy Communion publicly administered 6 times; Sunday schools...number of schools 1, teachers, (male 4, female 6,) total 10; pupils, (male 25, female 40,) total 65.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., from August 1st, 1843, to Au-

gast 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For	Diocesan Missions,	<b>3</b> 6	01
66	Expenses of the Convention,	<b>3</b>	00
60	Bibles and Prayer Books,	2	00
	Tracts,		
øe.	Increase of the Episcopate Fund,	2	00
48	General Fund for Church objects,	15	00
	Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen,		
To	the former Missionary at Fulton, in payment of an old debt,	20	00
For	Sunday school books,	6	00
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#### SENECA COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Seneca Falls; the Rev. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Deacon, Minister.

Congregation. families 48; baptisms. infants 2; confirmed 2; communicants.. admitted 1, present number 38; marriages 2; burials 3; public services..on Sundays 98, on other days 10, total number of services 108; Sunday schools..number of schools 1, teachers, (male 2, female 5,) total 7.

This Church was not placed under my charge until the date of this report, which

will account for its incompleteness.

### .St. Paul's Church, Waterloo; the Rev. Eli Wheeler, Rector.

Baptisms..infants 5; confirmed 2; communicants..admitted 2, received 3, total added 5, died 3, removed 7, present number 81; marriages 3; burials 5; public services.. on Sundays 111, on other days 12, total number of services 123; the Holy Communion publicly administered 8 times; children catechised..no account kept; Sunday schools..number of schools 1, teachers; (male 4, female 11,) total 15; pupila, (male 33, female 34,) total 67.

The monthly collections required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appro-

printed as follows, viz:

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	For	General Fund for Church objects,	<b>3</b> 18	34
The	e folic	owing sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:	•	
	For	the Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen,	9	88
		the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in		
		the United States: Domestic Missions,		67
	*6	Sunday school	7	00
	84	Parochial Objects,	100	60
			-	
		Total,	120	55

#### STEUBEN COUNTY.

St. Thomas' Church, Bath; the Rev. PHINEAS L. WHIPPLE, Rector.

Congregation. .families 44, (adults 125, children 100,) total number of individuals 285; baptisms. .adults 2, infants 13, total 15; communicants. .admitted 2, received 1,

total added 3, died 1, removed 2, present number 52; marriage 1; burials 8; public services..on Sundays 94, on other days 25; total number of services 119; the Holy Communion publicly administered 11 times; children catechised..number of children 20, number of times about 20; Sunday schools..number of schools 1, teachers, (male 3, female 6,) total 9, pupils (male 20, female 30,) total 50.

The monthly collections required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1842, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For General Fund for Church Objects,	1	30
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:  For the Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen,		
the United States: Domestic Missions,		40
" Parochial Objects,	0	00
Total,	8	95

The congregation has increased in its number of regular attendants upon public worship. The Rector has officiated in the town of Howard once, and administered the Holy Communion to 8 members of the Church; also once in the town of Campbell.

### Christ Church, Corning; the Rev. M. A. NICKERSON, Missionary.

Congregation. families 18, (adults 55, children 30,) total number of individuals 85; baptisms. adults 2, infants 4, total 6; communicants. added 7, present number 18.

The above report is from the first of May.

# St. James' Church, Hammondsport; the Rev. Erastus Spalding, Missionary.

Baptisms..adult 1, infants 4, also 2 infants at Sodus, total 7; communicants.. admitted 2, received 2, total added 4, died 2, removed 3, present number 43; harriages 4; burials 5; public services..on Sundays 138, on other days 41, total number of services 179; the Holy Communion publicly administered 10 times; Sunday schools..number of schools 1, teachers, (male 1, female 1,) total 2, pupils 28.

The monthly collections required by Canon XIV.. and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For General Fund for Church Objects,	114	65	
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:			
For the Christmas Fund for Disabled Clergymen,	3	56	
" Parochial Objects,	11	11	

The Church at Hammondsport seems to be somewhat reviving. There is evidently manifested more of interest in her services and a more spirited determination to sustain them, than appeared when I commenced here; although we have, during the whole time, been the object of most bitter opposition, not to say persecution, by surrounding sects. At Wayne, where services are held but one-fourth of the time, I know not that any ground is lost, but, on the whole, the religious state of the congregation is quite as favorable as formerly, although there too sectarian opposition has broken out with redoubled violence. On the whole, I see nothing here peculiarly discouraging to the prosperity of the Church, except what more or less every where prevails, to wit, deep rooted prejudice and invincible ignorance.

The number of communicants above comprises not only those who reside in this place, but also all those who reside within the circle of my regular ministrations.

#### TIOGA COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church, Candor; the Rev. Lucius Carter, Missionary.

Congregation. families 15, individuals 80; baptisms. infants 3; confirmed 4; communicants. admitted 2, removed 1, present number 23; marriages 4; public services. on Sundays 64, on other days 12, total 76.

St. Paul's Church, Owego; the Rev. Alfred Louderback, late Rector.

Congregation. families about 30; communicants. received 4 removed 7, present number 37; marriages 2; burial 1; public services 90; Sunday school 1, teachers, (male 5, female 4,) total 9.

The present report embraces a period of nine months, ending with the 1st of May last; at which time the Parish was vacated by the removal of the writer to his present location. The Parish continues to suffer much from a debt of about \$500, which has remained upon the Church from the time of its completion. The report of funds collected, it is presumed, will be made by the Wardens of the Parish.

St. John's Church, Richford; the Rev. Alfred Louderback, late Missionary.

Congregation. families about 12; baptisms.. (adults 3, infants 6,) total 9; confirmed 4; communicants.. added 4, removed 1, present number 15; public services 10. By the zealous efforts of a few devoted friends to the Church, the building was taken down, and removed from Richford, Tioga county, to its present location in Speedsville, Tompkins county, where the prospect of securing a congregation for the Church seems more promising. The Missionary ceased his services in this Parish on the 1st of August.

#### TOMPKINS COUNTY.

Christ Church, Danby; Rev. L. CARTER, Missionary.

Congregation.. families 14, individuals 70 to 80; baptisms.. infants 4; communicants..admitted 1, received 1, present number 20, marriages 2; burials 2; public services about 30.

Collections: -Some have been made and forwarded by one of the Wardens.

Trinity Church, Hector.

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[There is no report from this Parish.]

St, John's Church, Ithaca; the Rev. Wm. S. Walker, Rector.

Congregation. families 90, (adults 188, children 90,) total number of individuals 278; baptisms...infants 6; confirmed 8; communicants...admitted 10, received 9, total added 19, died 1, removed 2, present number 77; marriages 11; burials 7; public services...on Sundays 109, on other days 33, total number of services 142; the Holy Communion publicly administered 11 times; Sunday schools..number of schools 1; teachers, (male 3, female 12,) total 15; pupils, (male 20, female 35,) total 55. The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the

Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

During the present year, the former debt of the Church has been liquidated; and, during the last few months, the Church has been enlarged by the addition of side Galleries, and by extending the former cross Gallery. By these additions, 26 new pews have been obtained to meet the wants of our increasing congregation. The Chancel has been newly arranged, elevated, and carpeted in an appropriate style. The Reading Desk has been dispensed with, and the service is now conducted at the Altar "where prayer was wont to be made." The Vestry Room has been enlarged, and the Church repainted in grained oak in a beautiful manner, and a Lecture Room and Sunday School Room built in the rear of the Church. The expenses of these improvements and additions have amounted to about a thousand dollars, nearly one half of which has been raised by the contributions of a faithful and willing people, who have taxed themselves to the limits of "their power and beyond their power to extend the benefits of the Church to those, who are enquiring the way of salvation. The other half of the expense remains as a debt, which we hope to liquidate in a short time.

### Zion Church, McLean; the Rev. Samuel Goodale, Missionary.

Congregation.. families 10, (adults 35, children 10,) total number of individuals 45; baptisms.. infants 2; confirmed 6; communicants.. admitted 6, present number 22; public services.. on Sundays 6.

This report embraces the space of four months of the year now ended.

I find in this Parish a small but devoted band of Churchmen. They seem fully to appreciate the monthly ministrations of a Minister of the Gospel. On the intervening Sundays they seek to build themselves up in the faith and grace of Christ by a devout and regular attendace upon lay reading. There is little hope of an increase of numbers.

#### WAYNE COUNTY.

### 'St. John's Church, Clyde; the Rev. L. H. Corson, Rector.

Congregation.. families 33, (adults 83, children 74,) total number of individuals 157; baptisms.. adult 1, infants 4, total 5; confirmed 4; communicants.. admitted 3, received 3, total added 6, removed 2, present number 35; marriages 3; burials 4; public services.. on Sundays 133, on other days 5, total number of services 138; the Holy Communion publicly administered 10 times; Sunday schools.. number of schools 1, teachers, (male 4, female 5,) total 9; pupils, (male 21, female 26,) total 47.

The monthly collections required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For Diocesan Missions, \$5 00
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:
For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen, 7 00
"Parochial objects, 26 47

Total 38 47

### Grace Church, Lyons; the Rev. Montgomber Schuyler, Rector.

Congregation.. families 66; baptisms.. infants 6; communicants.. received 1, died 1, removed 3, present number 73; marriage 1; burials 2; public services.. on Sundays 30; the Holy Communion publicly administered 3 times; Sunday schools.. number of schools 1, teachers, (male 6, female 9,) total 15; pupils 75.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows viz:

For Diocesan Missions,	<b>3</b> 5	40
" Expenses of the Convention,	2	00
" Bibles and Prayer Books,		
"Tracts,		
" General Fund for Church objects,	10	86
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:		
For the Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,  " the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in	10	26
the United States: Domestic Missions,	5	00
Foreign Missions,		
Total	43	80

The above report extends from the middle of May last to the beginning of the present month, a period of two months and a half.

### Zion Church, Palmyra; the Rev. John W. CLARK, Rector.

Congregation. families 72, (adults 185, children 123,) total number of individuals 308; confirmed 10; communicants. admitted 9, received 6, total added 16; removed 4, present number 59; marriages 4; burials 3; public services... on Sundays 105, on other days 23, total number of services 128; the Holy Communion publicly administered 14 times; children catechised... number of children 30, number of times 8; Sunday schools... number of schools 1, teachers, (male 5, female 5,) total 10; pupils, (male 30, female 35,) total 65.

The monthly collections, required by Canon XIV., and actually transmitted to the Treasurer, from August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844, have been made and appropriated as follows, viz:

For General Fund for Church objects,	320	00
The following sums have also been collected for other objects, viz:	_	
For Christmas Fund for disabled Clergymen,	10	00
" Parochial objects,		
Total	<b>9</b> 81	36

### St. John's Church, Sodus; Vacant; Reported by the Wardens.

The number of baptisms since the last report is infants 3; communicants..died 4, removed 1, added 1; marriage 1.

This Parish has been vacant since November, 1849. The number of families and communicants we are unable to state, as the records of the Parish have been out of the Parish, since it was vacant. We have been favored by the services of Ministers five Sundays. We have had the Church open on Sundays for Lay services from about the first of April until cold weather in the fall of the year 1843, and this year from April to the present. Our Church is laboring under some embarrassments by reason of sectional interests. The members are scattered from ten miles to the west, five north-west, six north-east, to three and a half south-east: and some think, that they must have a part of the services away from the Church, when, if we could all be united, and come together to the house which has been built and consecrated to the worship of Almighty God, we might have a good congregation and a flour-ishing Church, and expect the blessing of Divine Providence.

#### WYOMING COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Sheldon; Reported by the Rev. GEO. BRIDG-MAN.

Congregation. families 19, (adults 38, children 43,) total number of individuals

81; communicants 5; burials 3; public services.. on Sundays 29.

This Parish has hitherto suffered very materially by removals, by her retired situation, and more especially by not making use of any active measures in order to sustain any society; not having made choice of her officers for years, with a vacant edifice among them. But by the readiness of her friends to join in her service, by their promptness manifested in the election of her Wardens and Vestrymen, and otherwise their willingness to do according to their means; it is to be hoped, that God will once more visit this portion of His ancient heritage, and rebuild this waste place of His Zion.

St. Clement's Church, Weathersfield Springs; the Rev. Thomas Meachem, Missionary.

In this Parish I have officiated as heretofore; and have solemnized one marriage, and attended one funeral. I have preached twice in the village of Warsaw.

#### YATES COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church, Penn Yan; the Rev. Benjamin W. Stone, Rector.

Congregation.. families 44, (adults 130, children 74,) total 24; baptisms.. adults 3, infants 1, total 4; confirmed 6; communicants.. admitted 8, received 2, total added 10, died 1, removed 8, suspended 1, present number 67; marriages 3; burials 3; public services.. on Sundays 100, on other days 25, total 125; the Holy Communion publicly administered 12 times; children catechised generally on the first Sunday in each month; Sunday school 1, teachers, (male 2, female 3,) total 5; pupils about 40. The following sums have been collected, viz:

It is proper to state, in explanation of the fact apparent in the report, that nothing has been contributed by this Parish the past year to Diocesan or General Church objects, except to the fund specified, that a debt, principal and interest, of nearly one thousand dollars, which has encumbered the Parish almost from its first organization, has happily been removed. The sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, in part collected last year, has been expended in procuring suitable window blinds for the Church edifice. The congregation is yet feeble, and, considering their numbers and strength, much praise is due the members for their liberal and Christian benevolence.

The following report was received too late to be inserted in its proper place:—

Christ Church, Sackett's Harbor, Jefferson county; the Rev. B. Judd, D. D., Missionary.

Congregation..number of families 35, communicants 33; Sunday scholars 28, teachers 6; confirmed 7; baptisms 7, (2 adults, 5 infants); marriages 3; burial 1; the children have been catechised monthly, and the Lord's Supper administered monthly; the services on the Lord's day regularly morning and evening, and sometimes at night, with frequent extra services; not however so often as they would have been, were the Church more conveniently located. Contributions.. Church enlargement \$200, Christmas collection \$3, Missionary collection \$8 50.

The condition of this Church has gradually improved since the last report of the Missionary, by an increased attendance on public worship, and an apparent interest in all the duties of the Christian life. It has been thought expedient to enlarge the Church, particularly for the accommodation of the soldiers belonging to Madison Barracks, they having formerly occupied seats the property of individuals; and eight slips have been added, and a convenient Vestry room built, neatly furnished by the ladies of the Church, rendering the Church more spacious and convenient. These improvements have been made at the expense of about \$200. The removals have been about equal to the additions.

# Other Clerical Reports.

The Bishop has received Reports from the following Clergymen, not having Parochial Cures:—

- The Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D., Professor of Moral Science, &c., in Hobart Hall, Holland Patent, and Editor of the Gospel Messenger, Reports: That he has preached 28 times, read prayers 15 times, administered the Holy Communion once, assisted in the same 9 times, and married two couple.
- The Rev. Benjamin Hale, D. D., President of Geneva College, Reports: That he has preached 44 times, administered the Holy Communion twice, buried 2 children and 1 adult, and frequently read prayers, and otherwise assisted in Divine service.
- The Rev. George H. Norton, residing at Richmond, Reports: That, owing to protracted ill health, he has not been able to perform any ministerial duties for the past year.
- The Rev. Amos G. Baldwin, residing at Auburn, Reports: That he has performed service and preached 5 times, and married one couple, since the last Conventional year.
- The Rev. Lucius Smith, residing at Batavia, Reports: That he is providentially incapacitated from performing regular service.
- The Rev. John Bayley Reports: That he has been enabled to officiate on sundry occasions during the year, and hopes soon to be sufficiently restored to health to resume the regular discharge of his ministerial duties.

- The Rev. David Huntington, residing at Harpersville, Reports: That he has preached 18 times, celebrated the Holy Communion twice, assisted in the services on sundry occasions.
- The Rev. NATHAN B. BURGESS, residing at Bridgewater, Reports: That he has been enabled by Divine Providence to officiate in different Churches 10 times, and to administer the Holy Communion once.
- The Rev. O. P. Holcomb, residing at Jordan, Reports: That he has officiated 12 Sundays, and administered the Holy Communion 3 times.
- The Rev. John D. Gilbert, residing at Painted Post, Steuben county, Reports: That want of health precludes the possibility of his officiating in the Gospel Ministry.
- The Rev. James Kerler, residing at Harpersville, Broome county, Reports: That he has officiated 6 Sundays since the last Convention.
- The Rev. P. P. Invine, Secretary of the Foreign Committee of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, Reports: That, since the meeting of the Convention of 1843, he has been constantly employed in discharging the duties of his office, as Secretary; and that, on all the Sundays of the year except three when providentially hindered, he has been engaged in the exercise of his ministerial functions.
- The Rev. James O. Stokes, residing near Medina, Reports: That, during the last year, he has been absent from the Diocese, and officiating in the city of Philadelphia.
- The Rev. Edward Bourns, Adjunct Professor of Languages in Geneva College, Reports: That he has, during the past year, preached 28 times, administered baptism once, and the Holy Communion twice, beside reading prayers and assisting in the services of the Church on sundry occasions: that, from January 1st to the 1st Sunday in May, he supplied the Parish of Grace Church, Lyons, with Sunday services; and did the same for several Sundays for the vacant Parish of Trinity Church, Seneca Falls.
- The Rev. John F. Ernst, Deacon, teaching a school at Batavia, Reports: That he has attended 3 funerals, and frequently assisted in the administration of the Holy Communion.
- The Rev. Gershom P. Waldo, Deacon, residing at Nunda, Allegany county, Reports: That he has rendered occasional assistance to his Clerical brethren, but that he has not sufficiently recovered his strength to enable him to do his regular duty, as a Clergyman.
- The Rev. Edward Dezeng, Deacon, residing at Skaneateles, Reports: That he has baptized 10 infants, married 1 couple, buried 2 persons, performed public services, (on Sundays 49, other days 7,) in all 56 times; and as, for the most part, pertaining to his Parochial duties, while officiating as Missionary in the Parish of St. John's Church, Vienna; which ill health has compelled him to relinquish.

No. II.

# CLERGYMEN CANONICALLY RECEIVED INTO THE DIOCESE SINCE THE CONVENTION.

Rev. Justin Field, Missionary at Catherines, Havana, and Jefferson, Chemung county.

"P. P. Kidder, Missionary at Mayville and Westfield, Chantauque county.

## APPENDIX.

No. III.

CHURCH ADMITTED INTO UNION AT THIS CONVENTION.

### No. IV.

# Missionary Appointments of Western New-York.

### AUGUST, 1844.

### [With amounts due 1st October, 1844, and 1st January, 1845.]

At a	
AMOUNTS DE	E.
COUNTY. STATION. MISSIONARY.   lst Oct.   lst J	an.
Allegany,Hunt's Hollow,* and parts	5.
adjacent,	63
Broome,Harpersville* & Windsor.Rev. A. Griswold,	63
Cattaraugus. Ellicottville and Olean. Rev. Thomas Morris 31 25 31	
Cayuga, Moravia* and parts adja-	
cent,	63
" Montezuma,* Cayuga, and	
	25
Chemung,Catherines,* Havana, and	
	25
	25
Chautauque. Fredonia & Forrestville, Rev. Thomas P. Tyler, 15 63 15	63
" La Grange & Silver Creek, Rev. Robert Campbell, 31 25 31	25
" Mayville* and Westfield,*Rev. P. P. Kidder,	
Erie,Aurora, Wales, and Shel-	
don, Wyoming co.,Rev.	
	25
Jefferson, Sackett's Harbor,*Rev. Dr. Judd,	63
" Cape Vincent,	25
" Dexter,*	63
" Pierrepont Manor,Rev. J. M. Bartlett, 31 25 31	25
	25
Lewis,Lowville, Turin, & Boon-	
ville, Oneida co.,	25
Madison,Perryville* & Peterboro,Rev. W. M. Weber,	63
Monroe,Brockport,* Clarkson, and	
	63
" Honeoye Falls,* Pittsford,*	
and parts adjacent,Rev. H. Lockwood, 31 25 31	25
" Penfield and Brighton,Rev. J. V. Van Ingen, \ with-out	_
" Parts of Monroe county,Rev. C. H. Platt, \( \) sti-pen	is.
Niagara, Lewiston,* and parts adja-	
	<b>63</b>
Oneida, Waterville, and parts adja-	
cent,	
	63
" Oriskany, Remeen, and	•-
parts adjacent,Rev. B. W. Whicher, 26 25 31	35

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COUNTY.	STATION.	missionary.	1844.	1845.
Oneida,	.Holland Patent,*Rev	. M. A. Perry,	15 63	15 63
44	Camden and Constantia, . Rev		31 25	31 25
44	Bridgewater* and Clinton, Rev	. D. A. Fackler,	15 63	15 63
Onondaga,	Liverpool, Fayetteville and		ł	
	parts adjacent,Rev		20 25	31 25
-	Marcelluse and Jordan,Rev	•		1
Ontario,	.East Bloomfield* and Cen-			1
	trefield,Rev	. E. Embury,	15 63	15 63
66	Richmond, and parts ad-			i
	jacent,Rev		,	
~	Vienna, & parts adjacent, Rev.			
	Medina* and Royalton,Rev	. P. E. Coe,	15 63	15 63
	Albion,Rev			
	Granby and Fulton, Rev.		31 25	31 25
	Pulaski and Mexico,Rev.	•		}
Steuden,	Hammondsport,* & parts	El Constitue	15 00	15.00
46	adjacent,			
	Corning, & parts adjacent, Rev		31 23	31 23
	Owego and Speedsville,*Rev. Factoryville,*Rev.		15 69	15.69
	South Danby and Candor, Rev.			31 25
Youtherns,	McLean, Homer, & Cort-	· J· Dayley p	31 23	31 23
•	land, Cortland co.,Rev.	S. Goodele	21 95	21 05
Warne	Clyde,Rev			
44 ayuch	Sodus and Pultneyville,Rev.		01 A0	31 20
Wyomine	Weathersfield Springs, and	'		· [
4. Jonna	parts adjacent,Rev	Thomas Meachem	31 95	31 95
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#### NOTES.

\*These Parishes are half stipend Parishes, whose Missionaries draw for \$1563, quarterly

- 1. Several changes have occurred in the list of Missionaries since the Convention.
- 2. This list of Stations and Missionaries is for the year beginning Oct. 1st, 1844, and ending Oct. 1st, 1845.
- 3. For the quarterly stipends, as they shall become due, the Missionaries will draw on Charles Seymour, Esq., Treasurer, Canandaigua, Ontario county, W. N. York.
  - 4. No drafts are paid in advance.
  - 5. No drafts are payable except for services actually rendered on the station.
- 6. The Missionary Parishes are considered as peculiarly under obligation to make and forward the monthly collections regularly.

### 7. FORM OF A DRAFT ON THE TREASURER.

To CHARLES SEYMOUR, Esq., Treasurer of the Diocese of W. N. Y.:

Dear Sir,—Please to pay A. B. the sum of, being the amount	at due
me as Missionary at, for the quarter ending on the day of, 184 .	

<sup>----,</sup> Western New York, ----, 184 .

#### No. V.

# A List of Churches in the Diocese of Western New-York,

With the amounts remitted by each to the Treasurer

#### FOR CHURCH OBJECTS,

From August 1st, 1843, to August 1st, 1844.

COUNTIES.	PLACES.	CHURCHES.	AMOUNT.
Allegany	.Angelica	St. Paul's	
, ""		St. Mark's	
Broome	.Binghamton	Christ Church,	31 00
46	Harpersville	St. Luke's	19 22
66	Windsor	Zion St. John's	[No remittance.
	.Ellicottville	St. John's	8 00
	Olean	St. Stephen's	8 00
	Auburn	St. Peter's	107 35
44	Aurora	St. Paul's	[No remittance.
44	Montezuma	St. Paul's St. Matthew's	[No remittance.
. 66			
_		St. Peter's	
44	Fredonia	Trinity	27 55
44		St. Luke's	
46		St. Paul's	
46		St. Peter's	
		St. Paul's	
44	Catharines	St. John's	[No remittance.
66	Elmira	Tripity	
46	Jefferson	St. James'	[No remittance.
Chenango	Bainbridge	St. Peter's	20 90
44	Coventry	Trinity	[No remittance.
46	Guilford	Christ Church,	5 00
46		Zion	
44	Mount Upton	Grace	[No remittance.
44		St. Andrew's	
44		Emmanuel	
44 44		St. Paul's	
		Christ Church	
	Homer		[No remittance.
Erie			[No remittance.
46	Black Rock		[No remittance.
44		St. Paul's	
<b>11</b>		Trinity	
Genesce		St. James'	
66		St. Mark's	
44	Stafford	St. Paul's	30 M

COUNTIES.	PLACES.	CHURCHES.	AMOUNT.
Jefferson	.Brownville		
66	Cape Vincent		
64		All Saints	
44	Pierrepont Manor	Zion.	152 68
44	Sackett's Harbor	.Christ Church,	[No remittance.
	Watertown	.Trinity	8 00
Lewis	Lowville	Thirty	
•	Constableville Turin Dansville Genesso	St. Paul's Chapel	No remittance.
	Describe	St. Patenta	No remittance.
Livingston	Consess	St. Feters	[140 lemitarice.
44	Mount Morris	Gt Tohnie	05 9U
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Madison	Hamilton		[No remittance.
44	Oneida Depot	_	No remittance.
4	Perryville	St. Stephen's	2 00
Monroe	Brockport	St. Luke's	[No remittance.
44	Honeoye Falls	St. John's	14 00
44	Penfield	.Trinity	No remittance.
64	Penfield	St. Luke's	174 00
64		St. Paul's (late Grace)	
Niagara	Lewiston	St. Paul's	16 50
4	Lockport	Christ Church	5 00
•	44	.Grace	50 00
46	Royalton	.St. Luke's	(No remittance.
Oneida	.Bridgewater	Christ Church.	No remittance.
64	Camden	.Trinity	23 00
46		St. Paul's	
66		.St. Stephen's	
66	Oriskany		
46	Paris Hill.		
66	Rome		
44	Utica		
44	<b>16</b>	.Trinity	107 31
æ	Waterville	.Grace	15 60
41	Westmoreland	.Gethsemane	[No remittance.
Onondaga	.Baldwineville	.Grace	No remittance.
•	Fayetteville	Trinity	18 45
•	Geddes	.Apostolic	No remittance.
•	Jamesville	.St. Mark's	No remittance.
•	Jordan	.Christ Church,	[No remittance.
66	Liverpool	.Ascension	[No remittance.
66			
•	Marcellus		
••	Onondaga	.Zion	[No remittance.
4	Pompey	.Christ Church	1 96
er er	Skaneateles		
•	Syracuse		
	.Canandaigua	.St. John's	78 68
. 41	Centrefield	.Trinity	3 37
•	East Bloomfield		
44	Geneva	Trinity	328 12
46	Richmond	.St. Faul's	24 60
« Orleans	Vienna	.at. John's	[No remittance.
Orleans	Albion		
_	Medina		
Oswego	.Constantia		[No remittance.
•	Fulton		10 00
••	Oswego		
Seneca	West Granby		
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COUNTIES	. Places.	CEURCHES.	AMOUNT.
Seneca	Waterloo	CEURCHES. St. Paul's	30 26
		St. Thomas'	
66		St. James'	
14	Corning	Christ Church	[No remittance.
Tioga	Candor	St Mark's	[No remittance
"	Richford		[No remittance.
. 44	Owego	St. Paul's	7 50
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Tioga	Factoryville		2 00]
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	Church contribut	ing but not yet in union,	1
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TREASURE	r's Recapitulation of	monies received by him wi	thin the same period.
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		society of Central N. Y	190 00
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		Permanent Fund	679 88
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For objects without the Diocese there have been contributed other sums, which have not passed through the Treasurer's hands.

#### No. VI.

# A LIST OF CHURCHES CONTRIBUTING,

WITH THE AMOUNT REMITTED TO THE TREASURER BY EACH,

# For the Christmas Fund for Wisabled Clergymen.

From August 16th, 1843, to August 21st, 1844.

Collected Aug	ust 16th, at the Convent	OE	Zion Church,	Pierrepont	Manor,	8 80
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	" Geneva,				Morris	50 00
	" Utica,				Hollow,	3 13
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	" Holland Patent,		00 St. Stephen's		lartford,	5 00
Christ	" Binghampton,		00 Christ		tt's Harbor,	7 50
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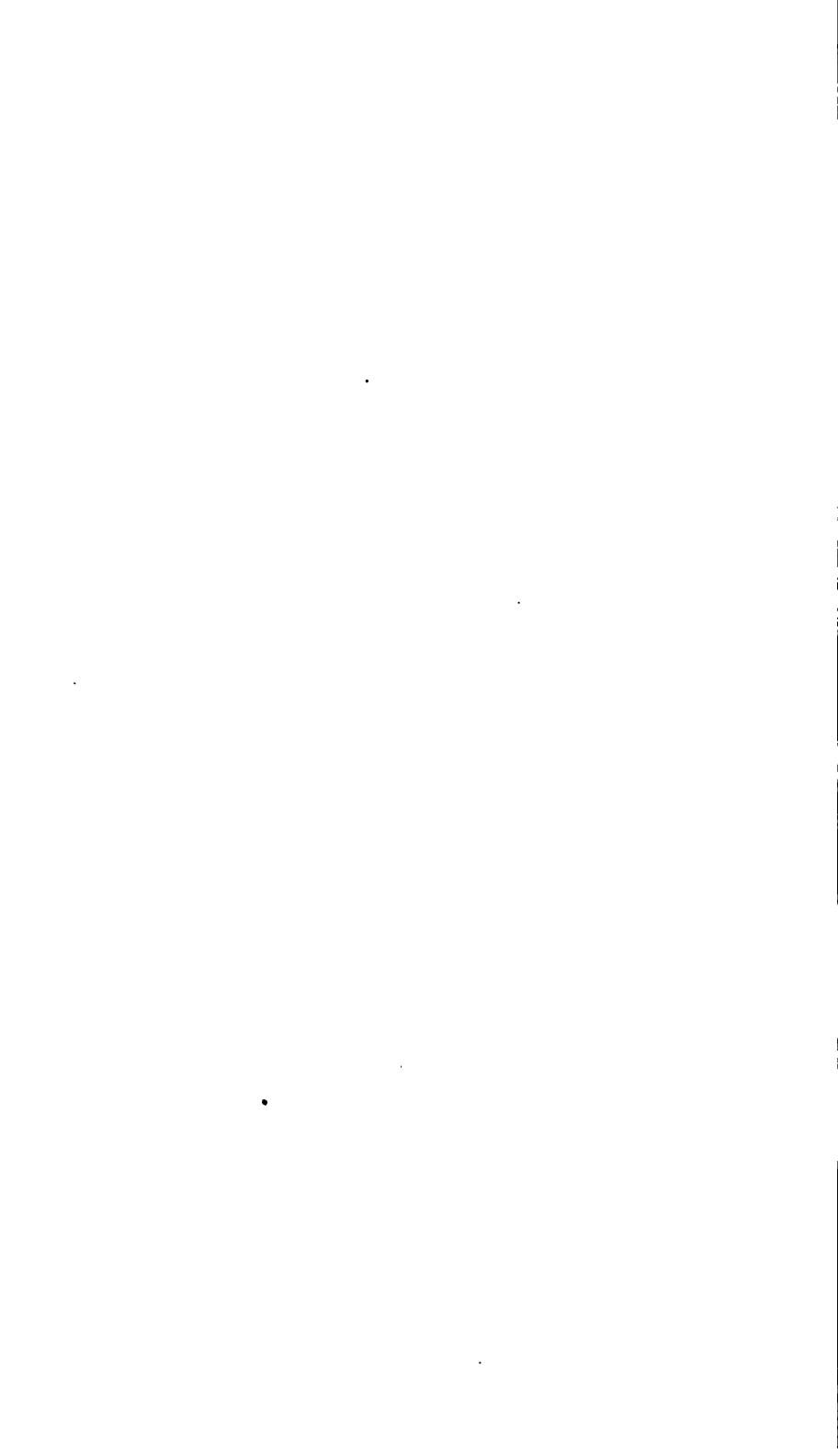
# Summary:

[From the Episcopal Address and Appendices of the Journal.]	•
Clergymen canonically connected with the Diocese,	105
Clergymen resident but not canonically transferred,	2
Churches in union with the Convention	116
Ordinations, (Deacons, 3, Priests, 3,)	6
Institutions	3
Candidates for Orders, (admitted 4,)	22
Churches consecrated,	3
Baptisms, from 47 Reports, adults,	
from 83 Reports, infants,	952
Confirmations in 60 congregations,	546
Marriages, from 71 Reports,	312
Burials, from 73 Reports,	424
Communicants, reported number from 92 Reports,	5369
Sunday School Teachers, reported number from 59 Reports,	577
Sunday Scholars, reported number from 58 Reports,	3013
Monthly Collections:	
[As appropriated by the contributing Churches.]	
Eniscopate Fund	<b>k</b> 47 40
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Expenses of the Convention,	56 16
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